CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (BRITISH ELEMENT)

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OPERATION JOURNEYS END

EMIS OF JEWISH D.P.S TO PALESTINE.

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CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (BRITISH ELEMENT)

PWDP DIVISION

Sec (Jewish) BRANCH

PWDP No. 0150/11

SUBJECT:—

OPERATION "TAURUS" EMIG. OF JEWISH DPs TO PALESTINE

REFERENCE TO OTHER RELEVANT FILES

FILE No.	SUBJECT

SECRET

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SECRET

Authority for final closing

INITIALS

BRANCH

DATE

PSS (HQ)/G 29/150 M/10. 47
Wilhelm Eilers jr. BBA 47 Bfd.

1490 1863

M.6. Seen by Major Gray, 10 Feb

S.C.O. Secretariat. (through 30/I Sec. G.)

75A is the letter referred to at 74A.

2. DO you wish 45 DPACCs and Hand Niederrachen told about to include 18-45's in the scheme for emigration to Palestine, Illegal?

75A is not as precise as it might be.

11 Feb 49.

Leo Seal says NFA and present. 17/2/49. SA.

7.

Mrs. Ames.

Letter herewith for signature by Chief

28/4/49.

#199 Registered

Lab.

8.

Mr. MacWhirter. Refers 99A. and 99B.

For your information.

The damage listed in paras 1 and 2 of 99B, although to be deplored, is not too unreasonable. That listed in para 3 is very bad and the additional trouble caused on future moves by this unreasonable damage will be felt by the Jews themselves, among others.

Under the new procedure DP Div. will be required to defray the cost of the damage.

Lab

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MEMO.

ZIR

Subject:- Operation "Journey's End"

With reference to your PWDP/0150/11/Sec/L dated 16th November, 1948.

Please see copy of letter to Land Niedersachsen attached.

43A

A.N. SKINNER,
"Q" Branch.

Tel: LEMGO 610

Ref: PWDP/1260

Date: 6th December, 1948

To: Secretariat

SECRETARIAT

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CHIEF

D/CHIEF

ANS/EC

0150/4

~~6.~~ (2)

CO I. Secretariat (Evasion).

Ref. our conversation NIEDERSACHSEN ~~confirm~~ (WEEKS) confirm that paras. 2 (a) & (b) of ~~47A~~ 5A are correct.

2. The 608 mentioned in 2 (a) have requested IRO care & maintenance and will be screened in due course. ~~I have not yet been able to obtain any further details from IRO.~~ IRO confirm this.

Sec.

20 Oct 48

~~7.~~ (3)

Note on Encl ~~47A~~ 5A.

Rang Central Secretariat (BIRT) and asked note as follows :-

(a) Para 1 (a) & (b)

Not known whose fault all 608 have not yet been screened. Have taken up with IRO and it should be done in the near future

(b) Chief wishes to emphasise that he considers Priority I should be the clearing of Jewish DPs.

~~8~~ (4)

To D/Chief. This appears to be the authority we have been awaiting for, except that it gives no definite instructions as to what constitutes military age etc. It appears said instructions are coming shortly.

RM 27 Oct 48

Tłumaczenie

Załącznik 'K'

"Stwierdzam, iż:

Nazwisko i imie .....

Data urodzenia .....

Miejsce urodzenia .....

Narodowość .....

Obecny adres .....

Posiadacz Karty Tożsamości PWX/DP x Zaświadczenia IRO o uprawnieniach do statusu DP x No: .....

został przezemnie zbadany i że według najlepszej mej wiary i świadomości jest on x- ona x kawalerem x-panną x- rozwiedziony/a/- wdowiec x- wdowa x i popieram przeto jego x-jej podanie celem rozważenia przez Prezesa Sądu Apelacyjnego ("Oberlandesgerichtspraesident") stosownie do paragrafu 5 Instrukcji Departamentu Prawnego No. 23 A, l.dz. LEGAL/MOJ/ 52301/5 z dnia 10 kwietnia 1948 r.

x Niepotrzebne skreślić.

UWAGI

Pieczątka DPACCS lub Biura Terenowego PCIRO

Podpis .....
Stanowisko.....
Adres.....
Data.....

Do : Oberlandesgerichtspraesident w ....."

~~5.~~ (1)

I.CO. Sect. 1B 7

1. Please refer ~~A5 B~~.

2. I have spoken with Central Secretariat, Lubbecke, who would like our comments on the letter as material for their reply to Berlin.

3. My comments are as follows :-

(a) Para 1 (a) & (b)
At present being complied with — to date 4 OASIS Jews have presented themselves for screening with the following results -
4 eligible for care + maintenance
600 have registered but not yet been screened.
It is doubtful whether anything like 1100 remain in HOHNE - the correct figure is impossible to obtain. But is probably about 600.

(b) Para 1 (c).
I am not quite clear what this para is intended to convey. There was, previously, no legal emigration of OASIS Jews to PALESTINE & therefore can be no question of its resumption. Is it now F.O.'s intention that all Jews in the British Zone, excepting males of military age, be assisted to emigrate to PALESTINE? If so, should all be absorbed by this Division or should we confine our efforts to bona fide registered DPs? (It must be remembered that there are 18000 German Jews in the British Zone.)

(P.T.O.)

EMIGRATION OF DISPLACED PERSONS TO PALESTINE

OPERATION GRAND NATIONAL

INTRODUCTION

1. Foreign Office have now approved the resumption of Legal Emigration from the British Zone to PALESTINE of Jewish D.P's, not of Military age, and have stated that the issue of Exit Permits to holders of ISRAELI Visas for this purpose is now permitted.

(Authority ZECO/011107/1/Sec G dated 18 October 1948)

INTENTION

2. To lay down the method for selection and movement of Displaced Persons eligible for emigration to PALESTINE

METHOD

3. SELECTION

(a) Eligibility

(b) Method of Selection

(i) Selection Board ?

4. MOVEMENT TO TRANSIT CAMP

Transit Camp to be HOHNE ?

Admin. arrangements at Transit Camp?

5. DOCUMENTATION & ISSUE OF VISAS

Method of documentation and by whom ?

Issue of visas and by whom ?

If movement via FRANCE issue of French Visas ?

6. MOVEMENT TO PORT OF EMBARKATION

Transport arrangements ?

Baggage checks ?

Rations ?

T.C.O's ?

7. STATISTICS

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CONTROL COMMISSION 13MAY1949

...ele. No. HOHNE CIVIL 601 45/135/10/G

45 D.P.A.C.S. CCG (BE
Hohne Camp
BAOR 23 12
11th May, 1949.

To: - Displaced Persons Division
Zonal Executive Offices
L E M G O
66 HQ CCG (BE)
BAOR 15.

Subject: - Movement of Jewish DPs to PALESTINE.

1. The third transport left HOHNE for MARSEILLES on 9th ... carrying a total of 643 Jewish DPs to PALESTINE, plus escor... The train guard was Mr. A.E. SAKER, CO III.

2. The total of 643 is broken down as follows: -

a) DPs registered: -

In HOHNE	407	
" RHEDA	2	
" NEUSTADT	8	
" HANNOVER	12	429
b) EXODUS, from HOHNE		29
c) INFILTREES, from HOHNE		39
d) German Economy		146
Total		643

e) Total number departed, formerly living in HOHNE

registered	407
Exodus	29
Infiltrees	39
Total	475

F. E. Charles

for Commander, 45 D.P.A.C.S. CCG (BE)
(F.E. CHARLES)

Copies to: - Displaced Persons Branch
HQ Land Niedersachsen
H a n n o v e r
229 HQ CCG (BE)
BAOR 5.

Relief Detachment Celle
206 HQ CCG (BE)
BAOR 23.

905 PC/IRO Area Office
C E L L E
BAOR 23.

0150/11

FOREIGN OFFICE, S.W.1.

22nd April, 1949.

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(WR 737/35/48)

CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION FOR GERMANY 28 APR 1949

Dear Division,

Please find enclosed copies of correspondence with Mrs. Henriques, Chairman of the Germany Department, Jewish Committee for Relief Abroad.

Will you please convey to the officer concerned the appreciation of his services in connexion with transport from Belsen as expressed in Mrs. Henriques' letter.

Yours ever,

Refugee Department.

P.W. & D.P.Division,
Z.E.O.,
C.C.G., (B.E.)
66 H.Q., C.C.G.,
Lemgo,
B.A.O.R.15.

FOREIGN OFFICE, S.W. 1.

22nd April, 1949.

(WR 737/35/48)

Dear Mrs Henriques

Thank you very much for your letter of the 1st April. I regret the delay in replying owing to my absence on leave.

I am asking our people in Germany to convey to the officer concerned the appreciation of his services expressed in your letter.

I would also be most interested in seeing the report you mention.

Yours sincerely

(sgd) A W.H. Wilkinson

(A.W.H.Wilkinson)

Mrs. R.L. Henriques,
Jewish Committee for Relief Abroad,
7, Endsleigh Place,
Taviton Street,
W.C. 1.

Jewish Committee for Relief Abroad

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LONDON, W.C.1.

RLH/BB

1st April 1949

A. Wilkinson Esq.,
Foreign Office,
Downing Street,
London, S.W.1.

Dear Mr. Wilkinson,

In the report of one of our relief workers, who acted as escort with the last transport from Belsen, the following paragraph occurs:-

"At Strasburg, Mr. Jehoshua Baruchi, the Senior Representative of the Jewish Agency in the British Zone, left us. He had also accompanied the transport from Belsen. Now I was on my own to see that this transport arrived safely in Marseilles. Here, I must place on record the appreciation of everyone on that transport of the services rendered by Mr. Wall, the officer from CCG whose sole duty was to make sure that the coaching stock was returned to Germany. He rendered invaluable assistance in many ways to ensure that the train was comfortably heated and that train times were adhered to by the German and French rail officials".

I thought that you would like to know of this, and realise how our workers appreciate the help given by CCG in the very difficult tasks they so often have to undertake.

I included the paragraph in my weekly bulletin, which goes out to the press and a number of other organisations, but, did not include the name of the officer. If you would be interested in seeing the whole of the report of this transport, I shall be glad to send it to you.

Yours sincerely,

Rose L. Henriques

ROSE L. HENRIQUES,
Chairman, Germany Department.

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Jüdisches GEMEINDEBLATT

Heute: Thomas Manns „Doktor Faustus" Eine Betrachtung von Dr. Käte Hamburger

DIE ZEITUNG DER JUDEN IN DEUTSCHLAND

NUMMER 39 — 3. JAHRGANG | DÜSSELDORF, 25. MÄRZ 1949 | EINZELPREIS 30 PFENNIG

Der große Prozeß (III):

Harlan-Prozeß kein Theater!

(Sonderbericht unseres rg-Mitarbeiters)

Zu Beginn der dritten Verhandlungswoche erscheint: Frau Marian, die Witwe des verstorbenen Darstellers des Jud Süß-Oppenheimer, Ferdinand Marian.

Sie ist die erste, die es sich erlaubt, dem Gerichtsvorsitzenden ins Wort zu fallen. Der Wert ihrer Aussagen ist von Beginn an pdoblematisch, so problematisch, daß Richter Tyrolf die Zeugin ermahnen muß, sie stünde nicht hier, um den Angeklagten auf Biegen und Brechen zu verteidigen, sondern um die Wahrheit zu sagen und ihrerseits alles zu tun, um Klarheit in diesen Fall zu bringen.

Richter: „Was haben Sie im Zusammenhang mit dem Film ‚Jud Süß' erlebt?"

Frau Marian antwortet stets mit hoher Stimme, gedehntem Tonfall und völlig unsachlich: „Schon 1937 wurde zum erstenmal an meinen Mann wegen der Rolle des Jud Süß herangetreten. Aber er wollte nicht. Als es dann doch nicht mehr ging, spielte er in den Probeaufnahmen sehr schlecht."

Sie schildert die Verzweiflung ihres Mannes und man glaubt ihr das. Man glaubt es ihr auch, weil es durch verschiedene Zeugenaussagen erhärtet wurde, daß der Fall Ferdinand Marian eine Tragödie ist. Es steht für das Gericht wohl außer Zweifel, daß hier tatsächlich jemand war, der sich bis zum äußersten gewehrt hat und der dann auch durch seine Rolle als Jud Süß letztlich den Tod fand. „Ich kann krank werden, hat mein Mann gesagt, aber ich kann keine Ewigkeit krank bleiben, um nicht zu spielen."

Dann sei Harlan gekommen und hätte gesagt, es sei nicht zu ändern, Marian solle sich keinen Illusionen hingeben.

Der Richter kommt jetzt auf die verschiedenen Möglichkeiten, sich in jedem Falle vor der Mitarbeit an einem solchen Film zu drücken: „Man hätte sich zum Beispiel als Soldat melden können."

Frau Marian: „Es ist nicht jedermanns Geschmackssache, einen Schießprügel in die Hand zu nehmen."

Richter: „Und nicht jedermanns Geschmackssache, beim „Jud Süß" mitzuspielen."

Frau Marian zuckt die Schultern.

Richter: „Was meinte denn Ihr Gatte, als der Film fertig war?"

Und jetzt begeht Frau Marian in der Sucht, Veit Harlan zu verteidigen, ihren großen Fehler: „Er war sehr froh über ihn. Kein Mensch hat den Film auf der Biennale in Venedig als antisemitisch empfunden."

Richter: „Also froh war Ihr Gatte gewesen?"

Man weiß jetzt, worauf es hinaus will. Frau Marian tappt ahnungslos in die Falle: „Ja, das war er. Emigranten haben nach der Befreiung den Film gesehen, weil sie viel über ihn gehört hatten und empört waren, aber nachher waren sie ganz angetan von dem Film, unter anderem auch Erich Pommer. Er sagte zu Marian, er wolle alles tun, damit er wieder filmen könne."

Richter: „Dann mußte Ihr Gatte also den Eindruck haben, daß er sich die ganzen Jahre über umsonst gesorgt hatte?"

Frau Marian: „Er hat sich ja gar nicht gesorgt, weil der Film nicht antisemitisch war."

Richter: „Der Zeuge Wolfgang Liebeneiner hat hier das Gegenteil berichtet. Als er 1944 Ihren Gatten zum erstenmal kennenlernte, war er ihm gleich damit gekommen, daß er die Rolle des Jud Süß nur gezwungen übernommen hatte usw. Es hat sich hier verschiedentlich gezeigt, daß Ihr Gatte diesbezüglich ein ausgeprägtes Rechtfertigungsempfinden mit sich herumtrug."

Frau Marian will ansetzen, doch der Richter holt einen Brief hervor, der unter dem 7. März an das Gericht adressiert ist. In ihm berichtet ein ehemaliger Flakoffizier, der von dem Prozeß gehört hatte, daß er im April 1945 mit Ferdinand Marian von Innsbruck nach Konstanz fuhr. Er hätte Marian vorher nie gesehen, und doch sei das erste gewesen, daß Marian sich bei ihm wegen der Rolle des Jud Süß quasi entschuldigt hätte, obwohl er, der Schreiber, doch gar nichts mit der Angelegenheit zu tun gehabt hätte . . .

Dieser Brief schlägt ein. Er wirft einmal ein Schlaglicht auf die Tragödie Ferdinand Marian und zum zweiten bestätigt er, daß Frau Marian hier keine ernst zu nehmende **Zeugin ist.**

Verlesen wird ferner ein Rechtfertigungsschreiben Ferdinand Marians, das er vor seinem Tode geschrieben hatte. Aus ihm wird Harlans Rolle ziemlich klar ersichtlich. Er bestimmte beispielsweise die Masken, die sogleich die gewünschte Atmosphäre vermittelten. Bei einer Audienz Marians in Goebbels Hauptquartier erklärte dieser: „Harlan verbürgt sich für Ihre Eignung in dieser Rolle."

Im Anschluß an Frau Marian wurde Paul Henkels vernommen.

„Er wäre niemals ins KZ gekommen!"

Und dann wuchtet sich Alfred Greeven vor die Bank der Geschworenen: er war Produktionschef der Terra, der UFA und der Pariser Continental-Film. Er gilt in Deutschland als der Filmmann. Seine fachlichen Kenntnisse halten seiner Vitalität die Waage. Er be- und entlastet Harlan zugleich: „Heute will es niemand gewesen sein, Herr Vorsitzender, aber Sie können mir glauben, daß viele von den Zeugen, die hier aufmarschierten, sich damals darum gerissen haben, den Film „Jud Süß" zu machen." Er beschuldigt Alf Teichs schwer: dieser hätte den Stoff entdeckt und ihn „gemeinsam mit Dr. Brauer bei Goebbels durchgepaukt!" Dann: „Schade, daß die beiden nicht hier sind, ich hätte es ihnen gern ins Gesicht gesagt."

Greeven betont jedoch leidenschaftlich, daß 1939 die Produktionsgesellschaft das Heft vollkommen in der Hand hatte.

Richter: „Hätte eine Ablehnung des Films ‚Jud Süß' Harlan das Leben gekostet, wäre er ins KZ gekommen?"

Greeven (brüllend, mit der Hand ausschlagend): „Niemals, niemals wäre er ins KZ gekommen. Das hätte ihm nicht das Leben gekostet. Quatsch!"

Da ist es einmal heraus, in aller Deutlichkeit. Harlan sitzt auf seinem Stuhl und sagt nichts, auch seine Verteidiger nicht. Sie stellen auch nachher keine Fragen mehr.

Greeven ist nicht mehr zu halten: „Was hier geschildert wurde, wie ich es aus der Presse entnahm, das waren erst die Zustände von 1943! 1939 sah die Sache noch ganz anders aus. Alles wurde von der Produktion vorgeschlagen. Uebrigens: zum ersten Regisseur hat sich Peter Paul Brauer selbst bestimmt. In der Kantine hat er es mir erzählt. Er wollte sich seine Meriten verdienen. Viele wollten das. Es gab doch diese schönen, steuerfreien Weihnachtsschecks, so um RM. 20 000,— herum. Sie können sich denken: die waren sehr angenehm. 99 Prozent der Schauspieler nahmen sich zusammen, wollten lieb Kind sein. Und wenn hier etwas anderes behauptet wird, dann ist es die bewußt ausgesprochene Unwahrheit."

Der Richter steuert auf die Kernfrage los: „Harlan hätte sich also wehren, hätte ablehnen können?"

Greeven: „Natürlich — er hätte sich erfolgreich wehren können, allerdings mit dem Risiko, in wirtschaftliche Schwierigkeiten zu kommen."

Der Richter nickt. Er hat immer wieder behauptet, daß dies die einzige Konsequenz für Harlan gewesen wäre.

Aber dann glaubt Greeven wohl, ein wenig zu belastend für Harlan ausgesagt zu haben, und er lenkt ein: „Es hätte ihm seine Karriere kosten können, und, meine Herren, wissen Sie, was es für einen Künstler bedeutet, nicht mehr spielen zu dürfen? Diese Leute sind doch große Kinder!"

Aber es verfängt nicht mehr.

Richter: „Warum haben Sie den Film denn nicht gemacht?"

Greeven: „Weil ich keinen Film drehen wollte, an dem Menschen kaputtginzen. Ueberdies bin ich bescheiden, habe keinen Pomp entfaltet. Ich habe mir keine Villa gekauft, sondern meine kleine Wohnung behalten. Aber Harlan war wohl Verpflichtungen eingegangen, die weiterliefen."

Jedes dieser Worte, im Grunde genommen vielleicht als Entlastung gedacht, belastet Harlan schwer. Um selbst keine Opfer zu tragen, bürdete er anderen Millionen, die allerschwersten, furchtbarsten Opfer auf.

Der Fall Veit Harlan ist nach diesen Zeugenaussagen so klar wie nie zuvor.

„Es war entsetzlich"

In der Mitte der dritten Verhandlungswoche treten einige Zeugen auf, die die negativen Wirkungen des Films, den sie als Soldaten, Schulkinder oder Hitlerjungen zwangsweise mitansehen mußten, auf sie bekundeten.

Richter zu dem Zeugen Jakobi: „Wie fanden Sie ‚Jud Süß'?"

Zeuge (leise): „Es war entsetzlich." Der Zeuge ist Halbjude.

Da erscheint ein mutiger junger Mann, der zugibt, die Freundschaft mit einem Halbjuden nach Ansehen dieses Films aufgegeben zu haben. Er steht vor dem Richtertisch, ohne eine Spur von Scham. Er hat uns imponiert, dieser Zeuge: „Heute habe ich eingesehen, wie falsch und verlogen der Antisemitismus ist,

(Fortsetzung Seite 2)

Unter Aufsicht der Waffenstillstandskommission und des Internationalen Roten Kreuzes fand in Gaza ein Austausch der Kriegsgefangenen zwischen Aegypten und Israel statt. Unser Bild zeigt Angehörige der israelischen Armee beim Ueberschreiten des Kontrollpunktes. Foto: DPD-Keystone

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BELSEN-ISRAEL

via Marseille

In langen Wagenkolonnen fuhren wieder über 600 Menschen von dem Lager Bergen-Belsen zu der berüchtigten Laderampe in Bergen, um den mit jüdischen Fahnen geschmückten Zug zu besteigen.

Diese jüdischen Menschen, die am 21. März als zweiter offizieller Transport von Belsen abfuhren, setzten sich zusammen aus Männern, Frauen und Kinder. Besonders auffallend waren die vielen Babys. Auch diese Abfahrt war glänzend vorbereitet. Mit lachenden Gesichtern bestiegen diese Israel-Reisenden die für sie reservierten Wagen. Viele Hunderte waren auf der Rampe erschienen, um vorübergehend Abschied zu nehmen.

Die CCG. hatte in Zusammenarbeit mit der Jewish Agency auch diesmal alles ausgezeichnet organisiert. Das Zentral-Komitee und das American Joint Distribution Committee haben ihr Bestes getan, um die Reise so bequem wie möglich zu gestalten. Pressevertreter aller großen Nachrichtenagenturen waren am Platze, um sich davon zu überzeugen, in welch fröhlicher Stimmung die Menschen den Weg in ihre alt-neue Heimat antreten. Josef Rosensaft und Norbert Wollheim wußten nicht, wem sie zuerst die Hand schütteln sollten. Der neue Direktor des American Joint Distribution Committees, Hyman Wachtel, zum ersten Mal Zeuge eines Abtransportes aus Belsen, bewunderte die Disziplin, mit der alle Vorbereitungen durchgeführt wurden.

Als um 16 Uhr der Zug die Rampe verließ, sangen über 600 Menschen die Hatikwah, sangen sie mit ganzem Herzen und mit Inbrunst zum letzten Mal auf deutschem Boden an der Stelle, an der noch vor wenigen Jahren tausende von Todeskandidaten, kaum bekleidet, aus Viehwagen gezerrt wurden, um wie Tiere in das Todeslager Belsen geführt zu werden.

Ueber 600 jüdische Menschen mit neuem Lebenswillen, neuer Lebensfreude, treffen in wenigen Tagen in Israel ein, um sich ihr endgültiges Heim zu schaffen und um mitzuhelfen an dem Aufbau ihres Landes.

Wir sahen unter ihnen zwei der Aktivsten des Zentral-Komitees: Berl Laufer, den Generalsekretär, und Rafael Olewski, den Leiter des Kulturamtes. Und vielen Freunden, die ebenfalls aktiv im Vordergrund der Arbeit des örtlichen Komitees des Lagers Bergen-Belsen standen, schüttelten wir die Hand zum Abschied. Wir brauchten kein Wort zu sagen, denn wir wußten, daß uns recht bald wieder gemeinsame Arbeit verbinden wird.

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Wie wir erfahren, geht der nächste Transport nach Israel im Laufe des Monats April ab. Bei diesem Transport werden wir von vielen Freunden aus den jüdischen Gemeinden der britischen Zone Abschied nehmen.

Obwohl die von der Jewish Agency festgesetzte Anmeldefrist verstrichen ist, treffen täglich neue Anträge auf Erteilung israelischer Visen beim Hauptquartier der Jewish Agency in Belsen ein. Es ist besonders bemerkenswert, daß viele jüdische Menschen aus der britischen Zone sich unter diesen Antragstellern befinden.

Wie an anderer Stelle dieser Ausgabe zu ersehen ist, teilt das Palästina-Amt nochmals ausdrücklich mit, daß nur noch in ganz besonderen Fällen Anträge berücksichtigt werden können, da die Auswanderung in kürzester Zeit beendet sein muß. Es ist nicht damit zu rechnen, daß die jetzt von den Hilfsorganisationen bewilligten Erleichterungen auch dann noch gelten, wenn alle Sammeltransporte die britische Zone verlassen haben.

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Jüdisches Gemeindeblatt
Die Zeitung der Juden in Deutschland
Herausgeber: Karl Marx

Unsere Meinung

Unter der Not, die täglich auf den Schreibtischen unserer Redaktion lastet, fallen zwei Sorten von Briefen besonders auf: die einen in der sehr starker werden von antisemitischen Ausschreitungen berichtet wird, in der stets auch Neue Bewelse dafür erbracht werden, wie unheilvoll, aussichtslos, ja direkt wahnsinnig unser Volk der deutschen Presse ist, und die andern, immerhin recht erfreulichen, Briefe von Menschen, die uns ihre Anerkennung aussprechen und uns materiellen und moralischen Leserkreis. Briefe von deutschen Menschen, denen Aufrichtigkeit und Wahrhaftigkeit wir kennen. Sie schreiben, daß die Idee der Entwicklung, der Idee des „jüdische Gemeindeblatt" genommen hat, sehr ernst sind, daß es bewundernswert sind, daß diese Zeitung in einer verhältnismäßig kurzen Zeit ein ausbrennenswertes Niveau erreicht hat, als auf der anderen Seite aber darüber berichtet sind, daß in ihren Briefen immer wieder an die Vergangenheit erinnert wird, antisemitische Vorgänge besonders bevorzugt werden würden. Von diesen Freunden werden wir gebeten, doch darin eine Abhilfe zu sehen. Sie bitten uns, zu versuchen, dem deutschen Volk gutzuhelfen und ihm wiederum Haltung einzuschreiben und zu vergessen.

Diesen Freunden können wir heute sagen, daß wir glücklich wären, wenn wir nicht mehr die Lage vorwurf würden, unseren Lesern erfreuliche Mitteilungen über die Gesinnung und die Zukunft zu bringen, daß wir selbst keinen größeren Wunsch hegen, als unsere Leser von mit dem Erinnern an das, was war. Niemand kann leider sie wir, wenn wir nach Hause kommen, daß sich bei uns Beweise dafür angesammelt haben, daß man in weiten Kreisen in das deutsche Volk aus der Vergangenheit die Lehren gezogen hat.

Die Tatsachen aber zwingen uns zu unserer Haltung dem deutschen Volke gegenüber. Und wir können unseren Freunden versichern, daß wir aus der Unmenge der bei uns einlaufenden Materials nur das Markanteste bringen.

Wir Gelegenheit hat, das Reden unserer ersten offiziellen Jüdischen Gottesdienst in Deutschland gegen uns nicht den Vorwurf erheben können, daß wir Ihn) oder Ihnen gegenüber unfair gehandelt, gehetzt, und wir haben alle verhalten, daß wir in Deutschland noch Gerechtigkeit, die guten Willens sind.

Und noch eines:

Es haben sich in den letzten Monaten bei uns recht viele deutsche Menschen gemeldet, die sich bezeugenswerte Mühe machen, um festzustellen, daß auch ihrer Ansicht etwas zur Aufklärung geschehen müsse, daß die Verbrechen geschahen werden müsse, die nachholt, was 1945 versäumt worden ist, um die Wahrheit um die Lügen des „Dritten Reiches" aufhöhle, die in offenen Kampf gegen das Antisemitismus stehn.

Kommen wir diesen Menschen, von denen Gelegenheit wir überzeugt sind, auf diese Antwort geben sie die, daß wir eine Beteiligung an einer derartigen Bewegung ablehnen müssen? Es ist nicht die Aufgabe der Überlebenden Juden, nachzuholen, was die Deutschen, zu erwarten, daß sie endlich erkennt! werden.

Wir wissen, daß alle diese deutschen Menschen — Universitätsprofessoren, Juristen, Aerzte, Priester, Künstler und Arbeiter — sich seit zwei und mehr Jahren bemühen, eine geistige Bewegung zu bilden, die aus den Ereignissen lehren soll, daß diese Verbrechen nicht wieder geschehen können.

Unser Verantwortungsbewußtsein aber forderte, unseren Lesern die Wahrheit zu sagen, die reine Wahrheit, auch wenn sie schwerst. Und sie schwerst!

Letzte Nachrichten

Die israelische Regierung hat dem Sicherheitsrat der UNO einen Protest gegen die Anwesenheit britischer Truppen in Syrien übermittelt, in dem diese als Verletzung des Waffenstillstandsabkommen vom Jahr 1948 bezeichnet wird. Es wird darauf hingewiesen, daß das britische Vorhaben, die bisherigen nach-israelischen Waffenstillstandsverhandlungen unerheblich beeinflussen könnte. Die israelische UNO-Delegation wies in einer Presseerklärung in New York darauf hin, daß sie beträchtlichen Streitkräfte in Akaba, Transjordanien zurzeit, weitere Abteilungen seien auf dem Weg dorthin. Diese Truppenbewegungen stellen, wie es einer Verletzung des Waffenstillstandsabkommens gleichkommt, die Lage führen müsse. (DPD-Reuter)

Auf der Pfingsttagskonferenz der Arbeiterpartei, die zurzeit in Venedig tagt, wurde eine Entschließung angenommen in Beirut tagt, sollen noch gut unterrichteter Quelle die Ausschreitungen unter Berufung auf Artikel 11 der in Dezember 1948 „vom UNO-Plenum angenommenen Palästina-Entschließung, die Rückführung nach Israel, ihre Wiedereinstellung und die Wiederherstellung ihrer wirtschaftlichen und sozialen Rechte mit der Unterstützung der UNO-Verschlagen

Sie „schützten" die Synagoge

Der große Hamburger Synagogenzuschauerprozeß

Vor dem Hamburger Schwurgericht unter Vorsitz von Landgerichtsdirektor Valentin stehen 14 ehemalige SA-Führer, politische Leiter und Mitglieder der NSDAP. Sie sind wegen Verbrechens gegen die Menschlichkeit, Landfriedensbruch und Körperverletzung mit Todesfolge beschuldigt, am 10. November 1938 über die Einrichtung der Synagoge am Hamburger Hasenberg urteilen und deren völlige Vernichtung beschließen zu helfen. Für sind weitere Beteiligte, die jüdische Leichenhaus in Hamburg-Ohlsdorf überfallen haben, sind bereits mit ziemlich jüdische Geschäfte geplündert und demoliert zu haben.

Die Angeklagten — alte Nazis

Die Angeklagten sind: Karl Drescher, ehemaliger Kreisleiter und Bürgermeister, geb. am 1896, Kreispropagandaleiter Hermann Schwarz, SA-Obergruppenführer Hans Bowert, SA-Obersturmführer Hermann Bein, SA-Standartenführer Bernhard Oberführer und ehemalige Verwaltungsdirektor Wax Fehrmann, u. a. am 1938 Mitglied Bürgermeister Karl Meyer, SA-Obersturmbannführer Hans Franz, SA-Obersturmführer Hans Brunner, der Propagandaleiter und ehemalige Leiter des Amtes „Kunst und Kultur", Hans Leiter, sowie der nationalsozialistische Bezirksbürgermeister und Ortsgruppenleiter Friedrich Ludwig.

Die Verhandlung gegen diese 14 Angeklagten hatte am Freitag, dem 11. März, begonnen, und sie dauerte bis zum Dienstag, dem 22. März. Sie wurde an diesem Tage unterbrochen, weil einer der Angeklagten, der ehemalige Gauleiter und Reichsstatthalter Karl Kaufmann, der in Hamburg als Zeuge geladen war, sich weigerte, vor dem Gericht zu erscheinen. Kaufmann ist, wie bereits berichtet, seit Jahren schwer krank und kann sich nur mit Mühe in einem Rollstuhl fortbewegen. Sein Arzt hatte ihm deshalb dringend empfohlen, nicht zu reisen. Kaufmann hatte sich daraufhin bereit erklärt, seine Aussage vor dem Gericht in Hamburg durch einen Beauftragten machen zu lassen. Dieser Beauftragte, der Rechtsanwalt Dr. Hans Gerhard Seetzen, ist ebenfalls ein ehemaliger Nationalsozialist. Er war Kaufmanns Verteidiger im Nürnberger Prozeß gegen die Hauptkriegsverbrecher. Seetzen hatte sich bereit erklärt, die Aussage Kaufmanns zu protokollieren und sie dann dem Gericht zu übergeben. Das Gericht war damit einverstanden, daß Seetzen die Aussage Kaufmanns zu Protokoll nahm, aber es bestand darauf, daß Kaufmann selbst vor Gericht erscheinen müsse, um sich den Fragen der Verteidiger und der Staatsanwälte zu stellen. Kaufmann weigerte sich, dieser Aufforderung nachzukommen, und daraufhin wurde die Verhandlung vertagt.

Die Anklageschrift, die dem Hamburger Schwurgericht vorliegt, ist 150 Seiten stark. Sie enthält Aussagen von 200 Zeugen, die bereits vor dem Gericht gehört wurden. Weitere 100 Zeugen sollen noch gehört werden. Die Anklageschrift stützt sich auf die Aussagen von Zeugen, die bekundet haben, daß die Angeklagten in der Nacht vom 9. zum 10. November 1938 in Hamburg-Hasenberg erschienen und dieses völlige Vernichtung beschließen halfen. Es wird weiter behauptet, daß die jüdische Leichenhaus in Hamburg-Ohlsdorf überfallen worden sind und daß sich jüdische Geschäfte geplündert und demoliert zu haben.

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Die Viadivar Ausschreitungen vor dem Schwurgericht

Sie brachen alles ab — Polizei mußte im Rathaus bleiben

In den frühen Morgenstunden des 10. November 1938 wurde auch in Viadivar die Synagoge in Brand gesteckt. Die Viadivar Juden hatten sich ihre Synagoge 35 Jahren ein-gerichtet. Sie war ein Stolz der Gemeinde. Tagen im Gedächtnis Lieb und bei den Gottesdiensten Hunderte von Menschen. Mehrere angeklagte wurden, hatten schließlich Gelegenheit, sich zu rechtfertigen. Sie bestritten auch den Tatbestand nicht. Sie hatten sich nur an den Ausschreitungen beteiligt, weil sie dazu gezwungen worden seien. Sie hätten sich dem Befehl, die Synagoge anzuzünden, nicht widersetzen können, weil sie sonst selbst in Gefahr gekommen wären. Sie hätten sich nur an den Plünderungen beteiligt, weil sie sonst nichts zu essen gehabt hätten.

Jetzt war vor dem Viadivar Schwurgericht die Sache wegen Landfriedensbruch und Verbrechens gegen die Menschlichkeit gegen die Hauptangeklagten, den Bankier Fritz Lipschütz, den Schachmeister Norbert Lipschütz, den Kaufmann Hermann Lipschütz, den Volksschullehrer Wilhelm Kroener und den Bankier Ferdinand Lipschütz zur Verhandlung. Als einer der Hauptzeugen wurde der Viadivar Rabbiner Dr. Max Lipschütz vernommen. Aber es wurden auch viele andere Zeugen gehört, die sich an den Ausschreitungen und Verbrechen beteiligt hatten. Die Angeklagten hatten sich bei ihrer Festnahme, die sofort nach der Reichskristallnacht erfolgte, auch

Unterhaltung

Wenn nicht noch höher

Von Jakob Dalh-Detzer

Und der Nemirower pflegte zur Zeit der Bullgroschs 9 jeden Morgen früh in die Heimlichkeit zu verschwinden.

Begreife wer es dann zu sehen: nicht in Betrieben, in leichten Lehrbüchern steht, in denen der Bevorgenschaftsrat und daheim eine recht nicht. Das Haus stand offen. Wer da wollte, ging ein und aus; gestohlen wurde schon nichts beim Rabbin, aber kein bisschen von Wesen war im Haus drin.

Wo kann der Rabbi sein? Wo soll er sein? Im Hinsaal natürlich! Ihr denn wenig, was einem Rebben vor den Furchtbaren Tagen 9 an tun obliegt! Unsere Rabbis, anbegehen, besonders Unterhalt, Priester, Gesandtheit, gute Heirathen, weinen und und Dutzen sein, und die Sünden sind doch auch da! Und wenn sie nicht gerade Sünden sind, spürt von einem Rebbe die Welt bis zum andern, und er sieht und versteht und gibt ja ein ... und — war soll helfen, wenn nicht der Rebbe?

So dachten die Menschen.

Einmal aber ist ein Litwak 9 hergekommen, — der hatte! Er kannt doch den Litwaken- von Rittenbichdorn hatten sie wenig. Sofor stopften sie sich mit den sechs Talmudbemerkungen voll und mit Bibelversen. Zeigt dieser Litwak ein modernischeren Gemeinwesen 9 auf — den Kopf verdreht er einem: sogar unser Meister Moses, zeigt er auf, konnte bei Lehrstunden nicht in den Himmel hinein, vielleicht sein er nahm Hantscheiben unter dem Himmel! Nun gut und streits doch mit einem Litwak!

„Wenn kommt denn also der Rebbe?"

„Meine Sorge!" antwortete er und beobachtete die Arbeit, und er tat das Wort nun nicht ausgereicht, da nirgend er sich sehen vor (was doch ein Litwak so kann), die Sache zu ergründen.

Noch am selben Abend, gleich nach dem Gebet, stiehlt sich der Litwak vom Rebben ins Zimmer ... leis tritt unter der Rebben Bett und kriecht liegen. Er muß die Nacht durchwachen und sehen, was der Rebbe insbesonnen und was er tut zur Zeit der Bullgroschs. Ein anderer wäre vielleicht eingeschlummert und hätte die Zeit verschlafen; ein Litwak weiß sich zu helfen: er lernt aus dem Kopf ein ganzes Kapitel Talmud! Ich entsinne mich nicht mehr, ob „Schlichtungs- oder „Gerichtsteil".

Frühmorgens tritt er, wie vom Bullgrosch gekrüpft wird.

Der Rebbe hat schon eine ganze Weile nicht mehr gearbeitet, vielleicht eine Stunde schon stier er ins Leere.

Wer den Nemirower hat schon kennen wollen, weiß wieviel Gram und All-Israel, wieviel Leiden in jedem seinen Aeußeren stehen ... eine Sinne schwärzten einem, wenn man ihn ansehen hört! Ein Litwak aber hat doch ein einzelnes Herz, er hört es und stiehlt liegend auch der Rebbe liegt! Der Rebbe, sei's wie er sei, tut, auf dem Bett, der Litwak unterm Bett.

Denn hört der Litwak, wie der Rebbe im Haus zu knarren beginnen — wie die Hausleute sich aus den Betten aufrichten, wie man ein stilleres Wort murmelt. Wieder auf die Nigel pfeift, wie die Türen auf- und zugehen ... Dann sieht die Menschen aus dem Hause, so wird wieder still und stiehlt, durch den Laden stiehlt sich Rebb wenig Minuten nicht bemerkt ... Er tut es selber einschmecken, der Litwak, — doch ihn, als er ganz allein mit dem Rebben selber. Er bekam gleich eine Gänsehaut vor Angst, die Wurzeln seiner Zeltenlocken stachen ihm in die Schläfen wie die Nadeln.

Klinkgicht; mit dem Bebben, zur Zeit der Bullgroschs, ein Morgen Kittel und ein Mantel, einfach! Ein Litwak ist aber doch barbarisch, er stiert — er wie ein Fisch im Wasser und bleibt liegen.

Endlich steht der Rebbe, er soll leben, auf ...

Erst tut er, was ein Jude zu tun hat ... dann geht er zum Kleiderschrank und holt ein Bündel heraus. Baumwollener kann man Vorurteil: schwarze Hosenbeinen, graue Jacke, ein schwarzer Kittel und ein breiter langer, lederner Gürtel, beschlagen mit Messingbuckeln.

Der Rebbe legt es an.

Aus der Tasche des Kittels zieht das Rabbi einen dicken Strick heraus ... eines Bauernstrickes!

Der Rebbe geht hinaus; der Litwak hinkt! Wohrgetrieben wie der Rebbe in die Küche sie, bückt sich, holt — Teufel! ein ordentlich Beil aus der Ecke hervor, rundet sie sich zusammen und geht aus dem Hause.

Der Litwak eilend, aber er läßt nicht ab.

Die stille Gasse! Der Furchtbaren Tage hebt über die dunkle Gassen hin. Offenals brennt an den Schwellen vom Bullgrosch irgend einer Bäckereiarbeitschaft aber ein krankes Aschen irgend von einem Fenster ... Der Rebbe hält sich meiden an den Häusern der Gassen, in den Schatten der Häuser ... Von diesen Häusen aus nahen aufeinmal er hinaus und der Litwak ihm nach ... Und der Litwak hört, wie sich einmal Herzschlag sich vermischt mit dem Takt von den schweren Beilen des Rebben; aber er geht den Gang des Rebben, vermeine mit dem Rebben kommt er vor die Stadt hinaus.

Vor der Stadt liegt ein Wäldchen.

Der Rebbe, er soll leben, begibt sich ins Wäldchen hinein. Er macht dreißig, vierzig Schritt und bleibt bei einem Baumchen stehen; der Litwak stiehlt sich weiter, weiter — wie der Rebben die Axt aus dem Gürtel ziehen dann geht er zum Baumchen und schlägt.

Er steht, wie der Rebbe hackt und hackt. Wie das Baumchen fällt und der Rebbe zerspalt es in Kürze ... die Klötze — in dünne Scheiben. Und er macht sich ein Bündel Holz, bindet es mit dem Strick um die Tasche zusammen, er setzt das Bündel Holz über die Schultern, steckt die Hacke wieder in den Gürtel, macht sich, was ein Weib und zehn in die Stadt zurück.

In seinem Anfangsfichten bleibt er bei einem armen, halbzusammenfallenen Häuschen stehen und klopft an Fensterchen an.

Eine Frau tritt heraus, sie will dringen, sie, blickt sich, bittet — fragt sie erschrocken aus dem Häuschen.

Der Litwak schweigt die Stimme als die seine Jüdin, einer kranken Jüdin.

„Heil" antwortet der Rebbe in der Sprache der Bauern.

„Wer ist?" fragt sie zurück aus dem Haus. Und der Rebbe erwidert, in kleinwinziger Aussprache:

„Wasser!"

„Was für ein Wasser und wer willst du Wasser?"

Heiter, sagt der leichte Wasser, daß ich zu verkaufen. Sehr billiges Holz, daß umsonst!"

Und, ohne die Antwort abzuwarten, beginnt er sich ins Haus.

Auch der Litwak stiehlt sich hinein und beim grauen Licht des Fensterchens sieht er eine arme Stube, zerbrochenen, armen Hausrat ... im Bett liegt eine kranke Frau, in Lumpen gehüllt und mit Lumpen zugedeckt.

„Krufen! Wenn soll ich etwas kaufen? Wo hab ich seine Wiren Geld?"

Die Salzsäule

Von Emil Berg

Meine Tante Fia, die Schwester meines Vaters, ist mit 78 Jahren verstorben, nachdem sie ihren Gatten um gut zwanzig Jahre überdauert hatte. Drei Wochen vor ihrem Tode war sie als Luftschutzwart noch eifrig genug mit dem Hinweis aus Frau und Kind gekommen.

Auch hier hat sie wohl ihren Kopf durchgesetzt, auf jeden Fall hat sie ihren Witz behalten und ihre Freude an Späßen. Ihre Bekanntschaft mit Lot, seinem Weibe und seinen Begleitmenschen der Sodomschen Katastrophe ist ihr ebenso geläufig wie ihre Kenntnis der Nachbarschaft. Sie ist ihrer entfernten Verwandten so vertraut, als wohnte sie nicht in Amerika, sondern in Sodom und Gomorra, und sie ist mit ihnen in Gedanken ebenso verwandelt wie mit ihnen.

Sie schreibt an die Verwandten aller ihrer Kinder und weiß sie zu trösten, daß ein paar Bomben nicht ein ganzes Haus zerstören. Die Mutter fand keine Grade vor Ihren Augen, und jahrelang hat meine Tante Fia Gewissen Wort mit meinem Vater gesprochen. Als meiner Mutter Bitte war ihr Wort. Ihr Tante Fia meint gern glauben und ich wäre ein dortiges Ich darauf gespannt, wie sie meinen Vater nach darauf benehmen hätte. Vielleicht gesagt: meine Mutter ist eine Heilige.

Ich war immer bestrebt, wenn diese Besuche in Berlin bevorstanden, mir die Zeit mit Tage Begrüßung durch meine Tante und diese wurden mir Tee und Kuchen so vorgesetzt, als ob sie mich seit um die Luftschutzwart hätte.

Hirsch Michel, ihr Ehemann, kümmerte sich um das Kuchenessen nicht. Er war ein ernsten großen Weiser, dem Pessatzeuch, unter dem Arm schlenkerte er mit der Hand, wenn er sprach.

„Jörg' mal, was du gelesen hast", forderte er, „las mir vor und übersetze."

Seine Antworten sich um letzten Vorfallenheiten und sein Ahnen, den er mir in Gedanken sind waren es eine Reihe seiner Sätze, der bezeugte, war demonstrierend. Ich, ward mich Tage nicht, ich wußte nicht, wie ich Vorteig — ob war weisen ein sichtbarer Talmudschüler oder ein noch nicht geschulter.

Meine Tante, so meinten wir alle insgeheim, hatte für sich selbst eine schlichte Welt gefunden, die ihr genügte. Sie war gesprächig und mannigfaltig war, mit einer Schwärzung und Wichtigkeit und einer Sicherheit, die mich während er ihr kaum an die Intuition reichte und jahrelang war es eine Sicherheit, die mich aufgeregt wurde, die ihn so guter Letzt den Rest gab. Er war auch nicht selber gewesen, der habe ich sogar als Kind schon erkannt. Aber meine Tante sprach immer nur in voller Bestätigung von ihm, als fand vollendete Gespräche zu ihm, auf die sonst niemand gekommen wäre. In diesem neuen Charakterbild fand sie einen volle Kenn und darüber schmalte sie ein bißchen so viel, sie pretzte gerne: „Mein Mann ist eine Gabe", ihr stimmte, er war aber auch eine Gabe.

Bei Wagnern und Tuchhalls hab in allen Sachen das großen Saales an. Tante Fia trennte sich von den Freundinnen und ging schnurstracks zu ihren Auserwählten.

„Du mußt meiner Mutter Gold für ein Gebiß verschenken, forderte sie.

„Keine Kopeke", erklärte der Befragten.

„Du blamierst sie und uns vor allen Leuten".

Meine Mutter hat geringend Gold, aber die Heizel paßt ihr nicht. Soll sie sich blamieren?"

„Und ich? Du hast kein Recht mich so blamieren."

Fünf junger Gatte drohte für den Rücken.

Denn ein weiteres Wort machten sich meine Tante auf den Weg nach Berwick, wo an Hirsch Michel lebte. Er hatte ein wohlbestallte Skandal, die Gäste gingen nur unwillig fort, da die Tische noch mit guten Essen und schwer den Getränken ausgestattet waren. Hirsch Michel hatte

„Und wer wird mit einbeinen?" fragte die Wirtin. „Ich, kann ich etwas dafür?" Meine Tante ist bei der Arbeit draußen gebrochen."

„Gebrochen wird ich die sonst", sagte der Rebbe.

Und während er das Holz in den Ofen hineinstopfte, warfen der Rebbe und Anderen der Bullgroschs ernsten Teil.

Und als er angezündet hatte und das Holz prächtig brannte, sagte er, schon ein wenig heiter, der Bullgrosch zweiten Teil. Den dritten Teil, den sie sich ... nicht leisten. Brand war und er die Oberste erhielt.

Der Litwak, der das alles genahm hatte, war ins Stiehlen eingeschlafen und Gestalt.

Und später, wenn einmal ein Chasid erzählte, daß der Rebbe ... daß Anderen der Zeit der Bullgroschs jeden Frühmorgen und nachtragen in den Himmel, öffnet der Litwak sich nicht mehr zu lachen, sondern hat seine Meinung:

„Wenn nicht noch höher!"

In den Tagen war Bevölkerung bei Hungergrenze Bullgrosch eingeführt.

Ein Fremdwort, das Bedeutung und Verdienstspanne.

Litwak: Litwaischer Jude, hier wie oft klingt in dem Namen die Abstammung des polnischen Juden aus Litauen mit, wo sich die Juden durch besonders hohen Stand des Anständigen und Wissens auszeichneten.

Chasid: Verehrung. Der spätere Teil von Talmud, der das Erklären, die Mischna, kommentiert, der das Erklären, die Mischna, kommentiert.

Feinwaschen wie früher!

... aber noch leichter noch gründlicher! noch schonender—

Lange, viel zu lange mußte Ihre empfindliche Wäsche die richtige, schonende Behandlung entbehren. Aber jetzt ist Fexo da, und Sie können nun auch im kürzesten Wasser Ihre Feinwäsche dem Fexo-Schaumbad sorglos anvertrauen.

Unpolitische Erinnerungen

Von Max Schindler

Achtzehn Monate verbrachte ich in Sofel als Stationsmeister der polizeiunterstellten Lokalbahn. Es waren Monate, gefüllen einer überwiegend arbeitslose Stadt, von seit 1929 wirtschaftlicher Depression und Hoffnungslosigkeit. Ich war Beamter, Chef der Station, Vorgesetzter und beherrschender Diktator. Der jüdische Teil der Stadt hatte mehr oder weniger Anteil an dem Glanz und Niedlose seiner ganzen Jahrhunderte, als Sofel noch ein ganz jüdisches Städtchen in Nordost Mystik war. Der „rechte" Teil wurde sich vor allem in Handel und Gewerbe, in Industrie und Bankwesen betätigt. Aber auch das kann während der Monate, die ich dort verbrachte, nicht verwischen.

Das obere Gefäll ist herrschend schön. Ich wohnte mit meiner Frau in einem der vielen Posch Fiua und Nadeln gesehen mit dem Blick auf die Berge, die Wälder, die Felder, und den Himmel. Ich bin ein starker Mensch, aber ich bin auch ein Mensch, der Natur und Landschaft liebt. Darin — das Tal eines Baches, der sich nach Süden zum Meere ergießt. Wie es hinter den Bergen verschwindet, ist die Straße, auf der man nach Süden und den See Genezareth.

Wer ist den? Sonnenschein, Wärme, Licht, Leben, Wasser und Bergen, reicht tief unter der Erde und Wasser, Tiere, Tiere, Tiere. Ich habe herrliche Sonnenaufgänge und untergänge gesehen, und Morgennebel, als ob die Täler mit dicker Wolle ausfüllen. Ich bin in den eisklaren Wassern des Meeres geschwommen, während die Luft fast Null Grad hatte.

Einer meiner jüdischen Angestellten war ein Tagelöhner, der jeden Morgen mit dem Boot von Sofel nach Kinneret fuhr, um dort in Sofel gearbeiten werden. Mit meinem Boot, das ich mir von Sofel mitgebracht hatte, wollten, wenn wir den Sturm nach Süden, wenn wir den Sturm nach Norden. Wir fuhren, wenn wir wollten, wo wir wollten. Wir fuhren, wenn wir wollten, wo wir wollten. Wir fuhren, wenn wir wollten, wo wir wollten

KULTUR

Zauberin großer Gesangskunst
ERNA BERGER

Eine kleine bräunte Frau in hellblau steht auf dem Podium, viel Charme, ein wenig Koketterie, den Blick wie träumend in die Welt gerichtet. Der Klavierbegleitung lauschend ist sie ein Bild gespannter Konzentration, dann beginnt sie singen. Die Töne gleiten mühelos und wie unverändert von ihren Lippen, glockenrein und mit hinreißendem Schmelz und dringt unmittelbar zum Herzen des Hörers.

Es ist die große Erna Berger, die nach ihren erfolgreichen Konzerten in Australien und England auch wieder in Hamburg, in der fast bis auf den letzten Platz gefüllten Musikhalle, die voll Spannung sie erwartende Publikum mit ihrer Gesangskunst entzückt.

Seit Jahren auf den europäischen Konzertpodien, wo auch drüben gefeiert und umjubelt, dauernd auf Konzertreisen, sowohl als Opern- wie auch Liedersängerin berühmt, hat sie trotz all dem Betrieb, trotz aller Anstrengung Ernst und eine Einfachheit bewahrt, wie man sie bei Stars nicht leicht findet. In Gesprächen sonnig, von einer Bescheidenheit, die nur dem Großen eigen ist.

Die künstlerische Persönlichkeit Erna Bergers könnte man durch die Worte: "Virtuosität und Musikalität" charakterisieren, die nicht allzu große Stimme ist von glasheller Jugendfrische und ungetrübter Klangschönheit, hat die völlige Reifegrad einer Lerche. Erna Berger singt mit der Sicherheit, mit der nur das Genügen, die sich ihrer Wirkung gewiß ist. Sie kennt den rechten Schalk, den sie hat und verwendet alle Nuancen, die einem Koloraturensopran möglich sind. Ihre Virtuosität in der Beherrschung aller Mittel ist für den Kenner von besonderem Reiz. Sie kokettiert darüber hinweggehen ihre brillante Technik. Es scheint keine besondere Probleme für sie zu geben, die Passagen, Triolen, Triller, Schläger und sonst was fast nebenbei zu sein. Aber auch das Musikalische steht ihrer Stimme nicht nach, wenn auch nicht von einer tiefen innigen Anteilnahme, so doch sehr und auch stets aus einem Gefühlserlebnis gestaltet.

Erna Berger ist eine Volksbühnenkraft, was besonders in den Schlußnummern ihrer Lieder Ausdruck kommt. Die Instinktsicherheit der Phrasierung, die Gestaltung dieser Nummern stehen hervorragen über

Aus den Gemeinden

Einweihung der neuen Synagoge in Frankfurt a. M.

Der Bau der einzigen so prächtigen Synagoge am Bornheimer Hang dürfte der damaligen Frankfurter Gemeinde weit weniger Schwierigkeiten gekostet haben, als die Errichtung der dieser Tage eingeweihten neuen jüdischen Synagoge am Börneweg durch die jetzige Gemeinde. Daß es tatsächlich doch gelungen ist, eine Synagoge zu weihen, ist — so bei aller deutlichen Bescheidenheit der Schlußeffekt der Entwicklung am westlichen Frankfurter Ende — ein Beweis dafür, daß die hiesige Frankfurter Gemeinde noch der Zukunft fähig, eine gesunde Tradition fortzusetzen, bereit und auch dazu in Stande ist. Mit der Einweihung hat der dieser Tage zurückgekehrte Gemeindevorsitzende, Dr. Max Willenberg, bewiesen, daß den er und die ganze Gemeinde mehr sein dürfen.

Nach einleitenden Gedanken des Oberkantors H. Wartenberger und der Begrüßung der Vertreter der Stadt, des Landes, der Bundesregierung und der jüdischen Organisationen durch den neuen Vorsteher Max Mayer, führte dieser aus: „Am 1. April 1960 wurde durch die Initiative von 30 Juden hier in zaghafter Form, aber mit durchaus festem Ziel die Betreuung, die Fürsorge, die einst aufgehört, der alleinen eine geistige Heimkehr wurde und einen gemeinsamen Gottesdienst. Als wir das Glück hatten, als eine der wenigen jüdischen Gemeinden in Deutschland einen Rabbiner zu bekommen, der durch seine Tätigkeit unser Gemeinschaftsleben und die Zusammengehörigkeit aller unserer Gemeindemitglieder in starkem Maße beeinflußte, mußten wir uns entschließen, etwas mit unserem gewachsenen Besitz zu tun. Wir waren der einzige Verein, der nach dem Krieg in Frankfurt neu entstand, und wir waren uns bewußt, daß wir damit eine Verpflichtung übernahmen, die nicht nur für uns selbst, sondern auch für die Zukunft der jüdischen Gemeinde in Frankfurt von großer Bedeutung sein würde. Wir haben uns bemüht, diese Verpflichtung zu erfüllen, und wir glauben, daß wir heute mit Stolz und Freude sagen können, daß wir unsere Aufgabe erfüllt haben. Wir haben eine Gemeinde aufgebaut, die heute 1100 Seelen umfaßt, und wir haben eine Synagoge errichtet, die wir heute weihen."

Dr. Max Willenberg, der Vorsitzende der Gemeinde, sagte: „Wir haben uns heute versammelt, um unsere neue Synagoge zu weihen. Wir haben sie gebaut, weil wir sie brauchen. Wir brauchen sie, weil wir wieder eine geschichtlichen Leben aufbauen und weiter führen wollen. Wir haben sie gebaut, weil sie Ausdruck und Verkörperung unserer Gesinnung sein soll. Wir wollen sie nicht verstecken, sondern sie soll in ihrer Größe und Schönheit ein Zeugnis sein für unsere Treue und unsere Hingabe an unsere Religion und unsere Gemeinde."

Dieses Haus ist dem Frieden geweiht. Der Friede ist heute unser höchstes Gut. Wir haben der heiligen Aufgabe, die uns gestellt ist, nur dann gerecht werden können, wenn wir in Frieden leben. Wir wollen keine Mauern errichten, sondern wir wollen Brücken bauen zu allen Menschen, die in der Welt den Frieden suchen und sich eine neue Ordnung setzen. Die primäre Aufgabe unserer Generation ist der Aufbau unseres Landes und unseres Staates. Unser Land ist nur ein Teil des Weltalls, und darum bleiben wir auch verbunden mit allen Menschen, denen Frieden, Freiheit und Gerechtigkeit höher stehen als der Friede, denn die ganze Thora wurde nur gegeben, um Frieden in der Welt zu schaffen."

Als ich vor einem Jahr in dieser Stunde, da wir zum ersten Mal im Neuen Haus einen Gottesdienst abhielten, zu Gott sagte, daß wir ihm einen Tempel bauen wollten, da sagte er: „Ich will euch segnen mein Volk und die Völker der Welt, und ihr sollt ein Segen sein. Darum sollt ihr nicht Angst haben, sondern ihr sollt ein Segen sein." Und wir haben uns diesen Segen Gottes auf Erden, den Heimat und den einen Gott gesucht, und wir haben ihn gefunden. Schaut hin auf den Frieden, aus dem die gebauten sind und den Frieden, der unser Ziel ist, Amen."

Der Gottesdienst beschloß die Einweihung der neuen Synagoge nach denen Ende sich alle Gäste, unter ihnen Ministerpräsident Zinn, kommen, die Thora Beteiligt an gezogen zu werden. Mehrere Kommandanten, um dann bei guter Musik der jüdischen Unterhaltungsmusik zu bleiben. Lieder noch lange beisammen zu sein weilen.

Ludwig Joseph

Abschied von zwei Freunden

Als wir in Kassel Tranen die Nachricht erhalten, daß Robert Oliswski und Betti Lauffer es uns viel, daß sie die Erfüllung ihrer Lebenswünsche gefunden, daß sie gegenseitigen Lebens, Leben wir es uns nicht vorstellen können, daß sie uns nicht mehr den aktiven der Zentral-Gemeinde, die beiden Juden in der heutigen Zeit geblieben, noch einmal zu besuchen. Als wir in den Tagen der Erschütterung durch Hitler-Deutschland weilte etwas von jüdischer Kultur in Erinnerung zu bringen, da waren sie uns gegen in der jüdischen Welt vertraut zu machen, da waren sie uns die Quelle für Kraft und Trost. Wie die Freude, wenn erschienen Nachrichten und Aufrufe, um den Zusammenhalt der Juden in der Welt zu erhalten, als einzelnen Abschied nehmen mußte, da die Beweis für den Lebenswillen jüdischer Menschen sind.

Werner Weinberg war der Schriftsteller unter ihnen, der Gemeinschaftsgeist, um Mittel der Wege zu finden, Gemeinden in ganz Deutschland wieder etwas von jüdischer Kultur zu vermitteln. Seine Arbeit in Kassel ging

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Nach drei Wochen im Paradies mit großen Fehlern wieder zu Hause. Nun ist zwar ein möbliertes Zimmer eigentlich kein „zu Hause"; aber nach so vielen Jahren in London fühlt man sich doch heimischer als in der etwas verkehrten Welt Trizonesiens. Das englische Restaurant-Essen schmeckt mir zwar noch garnicht wieder; dafür beißt mich mein Gewissen weitaus weniger bei jedem guten Bissen. Hier gibt es wieder weniger; aber das Wenige können sich fast Alle leisten, während ich in Deutschland niemals die Gedanken von denen losreißen konnte, die sich den Luxus nicht leisten können, für ein Ei sechzig Pfennig zu zahlen. Hier gab es diese Woche nur zwei Eier auf Karten; aber das Stück kostet nur soviel wie eine Tageszeitung, was sich Jeder leisten kann. In London kann man sich wenigstens einreden, Boden unter den Füßen zu haben. In Deutschland hatte ich immer Angst, die Leute dächten „vor uns die Sintflut", und gleich würden wir Alle wie aus einem bösen Traum aufwachen.

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Das Telephon klingelt wieder den ganzen Tag. Ich muß erzählen, wie es in der einstigen Heimat war, und keiner glaubt mirs so recht. Mein Schreibtisch fließt über von alten Zeitungen und neuen Briefen. Da ist einer von Carl Jaedicke, dem einst berühmten Baumkuchen-Fabrikanten aus Berlin. Er lebt nun in Rottach-Egern und bäckt wieder, teilt er mir mit, weil er gelesen hat, daß ich neulich über Werner Ackermann geschrieben habe, der einst in London Baumkuchen einzuführen versuchte. Und nun weiß ich nicht, warum er mir eigentlich den Mund wässerig machen will. Uebrigens habe ich in Hamburg einmal Baumkuchen gegessen und war reichlich enttäuscht. In meiner Erinnerung hat er eigentlich viel besser geschmeckt, oder lag es daran, daß er nicht von Jaedicke gebacken war . . . .

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Heute habe ich den neuen Anton Walbrook-Film, „Picque Dame" gesehen, den man nach Puschkins berühmter Novelle gemacht hat. Es war eine ziemliche Enttäuschung; Adolf Wohlbrueck war garnicht so dämonisch wie der Offizier zu sein hat, der seine Seele für Glück im Kartenspiel verkaufen will. Vielleicht habe ich auch an den guten, alten deutschen Stummfilm mit dem gleichen Namen gedacht und war deswegen enttäuscht. Aber die Erinnerung ans Gewesene spielt uns zuweilen schlechte Streiche — siehe den oben erwähnten Baumkuchen.

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Noch ein Brief. Aus Hollywood. Einer läßt mich wissen, Joe und Mia May hätten ein eigenes Restaurant, „Blue Danube" eröffnet. Es ist nicht das erste Mal, das das einst so beliebte Filmehepaar etwas mit Essen zu tun hatte. Als es die Beiden noch nicht nötig hatten, leiteten sie in Berlin am Kurfürstendamm „Piowati", sodaß man sicher sein kann, es wird auch in „Blue Danube" gut und auf wienerisch zu essen gegeben. Auf Mia May's Wuscheikopf werden Sie sich wohl noch besinnen können. Joe May pflegte die stummen deutschen Monumental-Filme zu machen, ob sie nun „Herrin der Welt" oder „Das indische Grabmal" hießen. Im Exil haben die Mays kaum mehr für die Leinwand gearbeitet; aber wenn Sie mal in Hollywood vorbeikommen, essen Sie ruhig bei Mia und Joe May — schon wegen der Erinnerung an gewesene Filmgenüsse . . .

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Paul Tabori zeichnet als Herausgeber eines neuen Buches, das den Titel „Das Privatleben Adolf Hitlers" trägt und bei „Aldor" erschienen ist. Es enthält die zweifelhaften Tagebücher der verstorbenen Eva Braun, an deren „Entdeckung" Louis Trenker, der Film-Schneeschuhläufer beteiligt war. Tabori sagt nicht, daß er die angeblichen Aufzeichnungen für authentisch hält; ich glaube kein einziges Wort vom geheimen Geschlechtsleben der Beiden. Aber auch wenn es echt wäre, so ließe sich gegen die Veröffentlichung viel einwenden. Ob nun Adolf wirklich völlig bekleidet im Bad gesessen hat, als er seiner Eva über Alexander den Großen vorlas, ist mir ziemlich schnuppe. Je weniger man über den verstorbenen Diktator schreibt und spricht, umso besser; aber da wir in einer Demokratie leben, so läßt sich wenig dagegen sagen, daß solche Erfindungen publiziert werden. Trenker hätte lieber bei seinen Filmen bleiben sollen; Schnee lügt weniger.

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" HANNOVER	1	
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b) EXODUS, from HOHNE		61
c) Infiltrees, from HOHNE		72
d) German Economy		94
	Total	666

e) Total number departed, formerly living in HOHNE

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Exodus	61
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To: PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
66 HQ CCG (BE),
LEMGO, BAOR 15.

Reference our letter POL 267/13/49 dated 12th February, 1949, we forward herewith for your information a copy of a letter from our U.S. colleagues on the subject of Jewish emigration.

Although we have received no official intimation from the French element, we are given to understand that they have also relaxed the ban on the emigration of male Jewish DPs of military age.

Logan Paul

Director,
Displaced Persons Branch,
Political Division.

See 0150/11

7 March 1949

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Dear Mr. Logan Gray:

Thank you very much for your letter of 12 February informing us that you had now received clear instructions from your Government to permit all Jewish DPs, including men of military age, to leave the British Zone without restrictions.

On 18 February the Military Governor was in receipt of a cable from the Department of the Army which sets forth the same instructions regarding Jewish DPs of military age in the American Zone of Occupation. This was transmitted at once to the field and as a result, this type of DP has been accepted for emigration since that date.

In commenting on the possible effect of this ruling on movement of DPs to Palastine our people in the field informed us that it has resulted in a number of DPs of military age being able to join their families in Palastine. These were individuals who were kept here under the previous ruling and who were unwilling to take a chance on entering Palastine illegally as it might prejudice the status of their families who had preceded them.

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Sincerely yours,

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Subject: - Movement of Jewish DPs to PALESTINE.

1. The first transport left HOHNE for MARSEILLES on 28 Feb 49, carrying a total of 551 DPs proceeding to PALESTINE. This figure is broken down as follows: -

a) DPs registered: -

In HOHNE	275	
" KAUNITZ	11	
" BRUNSWICK	2	
" HANNOVER	2	290

551 666 12/17

b) EXODUS: From Hohne — 80

c) Infiltrees: From HOHNE — 91

d) German Economy — 90

TOTAL 551

e) Total number departed formerly living in HOHNE: -

Registered	275
Exodus	80
Infiltrees	91
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To: C.C. No.45 DPACCS,
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Subject: Emigration to PALESTINE- Eligibility

Reference tel.con. AULT/CLARKE of 3rd March, 1949.

1. It is confirmed that eligibility for the movement at present taking place is confined to registered displaced persons in the British Zone of Germany.

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7 March, 1949.

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To: PWDP Branch,
HQ Land Niedersachsen,
HANNOVER,
229 HQ. CCG (BE)
B.A.O.R. 5.

SUBJECT: Movement of Jewish Emigrants Hohne - Marseilles

1. Reference is made to our PWDP/0150/11/SEC. dated 26 Feb. '49 - "Instruction for Train Guard" - copy to you.

2. It has now been decided that a Train Guard will accompany each train proceeding Hohne - Marseilles on the above mentioned movement.

3. You will therefore make arrangements to detail such 'guards' as and when necessary. Each official will be given written orders as to his duties, as laid down in PWDP/0150 /11/Sec of 26 February 1949. In addition OC 45 DPACCS Hohne should, prior to the departure of each transport, emphasize to the train-guard the necessity for strict adherence to his orders.

S. Ault

S. AULT.
for Chief, PW & DP Division.

Copies to: OC 45 DPACCS Hohne.
" ": PWDP/0486/Sec.

SA/NF

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Tel: LEMGO 604.

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec.

H.Q. PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
CCG LEMGO,
66 HQ. CCG (BE)
BAOR, 15.

4 March, 1949.

To: HQ Entries & Exits Branch,
Intelligende Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
CCG BAD SALZUFLEN,
100 HQ. CCG (BE)
BAOR, 15.

SUBJECT:- Granting of Exit Permits to Jewish Emigrants.

1. Herewith 12 impressions of the stamp used by the ISRAELI Consul MUNICH.

2. The authorized official in HOHNE will continue to make use of the stamp, impressions of which have already been submitted to you.

S. AULT,
for Chief, PW & DP Division.

SA/SMA.
Encl:

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מדינת ישראל
משרדי הקונסוליה במינכן
CONSULATE OF ISRAEL

MUNICH
11, Maria-Theresia Str. Phone: 42011
Cable-address: Memisrael, Muenchen.

בתשובה נא להזכיר:
In reply please quote:
G/5/4

February 21, 1949

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Chief PWDP Division
L e m g o

Sir,

Further to our letter of December 3, 1948, under cover of which we forwarded to you samples of the stamps to be used by Mr. YEHOSHUA BARUCHI, who has been authorized to issue immigration visas for Israel to residents of the British Zone, we beg to enclose herewith 12 samples of the stamp used by the Israeli Consulate, Munich. This stamp will be used for documents issued in Munich, while our office in Bergen-Belsen will continue to make use of the stamp, samples of which have already been submitted to you.

Sincerely yours,

B. Jaffe

B. Jaffe
for the Israeli Consul

Enclosure

3/4/49

YJ/sr

0150/11

Tel: LEMGO 604

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/SEC

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HQ PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
C.C.G. LEMGO,
66 HQ C.C.G.
B.A.O.R. 15

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20 February, 1949

To: Train Guard.

Instruction for Train Guard

1. You will proceed as train guard on the train leaving HOHNE on 28 February, 1949 at 1600 hours, proceeding to MARSEILLES and returning empty to the British Zone.

2. Your duties are as follows:-

(a) You will remain on the train both during the outward and return journey in order to carry out your sole duty of ensuring that the rolling stock which leaves the British Zone is returned to the British Zone in good order and as soon as possible.

(b) You will NOT repeat NOT, assist under any circumstances in any way with the emigration of the passengers.

3. Completion of duties to be reported to this Headquarters.

S.A.

S. AULT
for Chief, PW & DP Division

Copy to: H.Q. Land NIEDERSACHSEN, HANNOVER.

O.C. 45 DPACC HOHNE.

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Tel: LEMGO 604

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec

File

HQ PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
C.C.G. LEMGO,
66 HQ. C.C.G., 37
B.A.O.R. 15

15 February 1949

To: Consul General of France,
Alsterufer 33,
HAMBURG 36,
c/o 63 HQ C.C.G. (BE),
HAMBURG,
B.A.O.R. 3.

Reference is made to our telephone conversation of to-day's date concerning Mr YEHOSHUA BORUCHI.

Attached, as requested, is a certified true copy of a letter from the Consul of ISRAEL in MUNICH.

S. AULT
for Chief, PW & DP Division.

SA/JM

24 Feb 49.

1000 hrs Clarke (Holme).

Train now booked for Mon 28 Feb 49 for 590 persons - to leave Holme 1600 hrs. All informed. Understand question French visas is now in order.

1010 hrs J. R.U.

J. A.F.P. Holme request, through JRU, that Pol + Int Division inform French Consul Hamburg that Mr Barucchi of JAFP is the accredited ISRAELI Representative in the British Zone. Political int that this was to business of this Division and that the J. A.F.P. must deal with the matter. I promised to ring Holme & inform Clarke so that he could tell JAFP to take action.

1050 hrs Spoke Clarke (Holme)

Told him we could not approach French & asked him to tell JAFP to take action.

French Consul later spoke to Munich re BORUCHI was forwarded. - See 88A.

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Tel: Bad Salzuflen 2442 Ext.17.

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Ref: HQ/EE/4007/25:

HQ Entries and Exits Branch,
Intelligence Division,
100 HQ CCG (BE),
BAD SALZUFLEN,
B.A.O.R. 15.

22nd February, 1949.

CONTROL COMMISSION
PRISONERS OF WAR &
23 FEB 1949
DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION
FOR GERMANY

To: Entries and Exits Branch, Regional Office, KIEL.
" " " " " " DUSSELDORF.
" " " " " " HANNOVER.
" " " " " " HAMBURG.
" " " " Permit Application Office, BERLIN.

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SUBJECT: Travel to Palestine.

1. Reference this office HQ/EE/4007/25 dated 13th January, 1949.

2. The embargo placed on Jews of military age has now been lifted. You are therefore requested to cancel para 2 of the above-mentioned letter.

for Director
ENTRIES AND EXITS BRANCH

DS/MU

Copy to: Central Secretariat,
60 HQ CCG (BE),
LUBBECKE, B.A.O.R.1.: reference Bercomb BGCC 754 dated 18th February, 1949.

PW & DP Division,
66 HQ CCG (BE),
LEMGO: Your PWDP/0150/11/Sec. of 17th February, 1949 refers.

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0150/11

See

Control Commission for Germany (British Element)

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Outgoing Confidential Cipher Message

UNPARAPHRASED

FROM CONCOMB LUBBECKE

TO CONCOMB LUBBECKE

CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION FOR GERMANY 22 FEB 1949

CY NO 06447

REF NO CCG 10736

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IMPORTANT

D. 1715 21 FEB 49.

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ZECO/011107/1/SEC.G.

Subject is emigration of Jews to Palestine.

Your attention is drawn to BGCC 754 (745) dated 18th February 1949. Please take necessary action.

ORIGINATOR

SECRETARIAT.

ACTION

E & E BR BAD SALZUFLEN
PW & DP DIV.LEMGO.

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D 7/18 ZEQ 2/3 ORDINARY DTO 181645 THI 181820

FROM BERCOMB BERLIN THI 181700

TO CONCOMB LUBBECKE

INFO PWDP LEMGO
E AND E BRANCH BAD SALZUFLEN

CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION FOR GERMANY
19 FEB 1949

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CONFIDENTIAL

BGCC 745. REFERENCE 267. SUBJECT EMIGRATION OF JEWS TO PALESTINE. AS A RESULT OF FOREIGN OFFICE TELEGRAM TO BERLIN 250 OF 9TH FEBRUARY 1949 WE HAVE OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED OUR U.S. AND FRENCH COLLEAGUES OF THE FOREIGN OFFICE DECISION AND YOU ARE THEREFORE AUTHORISED TO TAKE THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO PUT THIS POLICY INTO EFFECT FORTHWITH.

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DIS 10/14

Note

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OC 45 DIACCS spoke.

Train on 23 Feb postponed. No shipping available and no room in Transit Camp, Marseilles.

J.A.F.P. stated 10 days postponement likely but would confirm tomorrow.

Davis (BAOR) informed & train cancelled.

18 Feb 45

Hault.

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NOTE.

Spoke Clarke (45 DIACES) who gave me the following information :-

(a) Train definitely requested for 23 Feb for 520 persons.

(b) Is providing 5 days rations & IRO repat. amenities for all

(c) Is making up clothing of full registered DPs to scale where possible.

(d) Jews having trouble getting visas to cross France - advised to put train back 2-3 days but refused.

Lord Clarke (d) entirely Jewish affair & we can do nothing to help.

C Hulet.

18 Feb 48

NOTE:-

18 Feb 49 Wrethen (Hamburg) asked if T.C.O was to go with train.

Later relayed to him decision of Chief. No T.C.O. to travel but it must be made clear to Jews that train must be returned on time and in good order or future moves would be jeopardised.

18 Feb 49 Davis (Rhine Army) to confirm date of train. Advised him speak direct to Clarke. Later spoke & found he had confirmed & train was arranged for 23rd Feb.

18 Feb 49 É+É to say can't accept our reply re eligibility of 18.45's as official. Had been in touch with Central Secretariat who, as yet, had not had reply from Berlin, although Pearman-Wilson had assured É+É it had been sent 2 days ago as valeprint. address Central Sect, copy to Pw+Rf Division.

Lenkatt.

18 Feb 49 Spoke Cosmo Hist (Central Secretariat).

Central Secretariat are not prepared to accept as instruction copies of letter (Cmd 0.0) from Berlin, and therefore requested Berlin to signal instructions. These have not yet arrived & in the meantime Central Secretariat will not authorise É+É. to go ahead.

I pointed out the urgency of the matter & Boswell said she would contact Berlin & let me know with what results later.

18. Feb 49 Pearman-Wilson

Asked whether Central Sect. would not accept copy of Berlin letter. Answer No! So said would send instruction immediately.

Informed Central Sect & É+É.

Tel. LEMCO 604 CONFIDENTIAL

Ref. PWDP/0150/11/Sec.

H.Q., PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
CCG LEMCO,
66 H.Q., C.C.G.,
B.A.O.R.15.

17 February, 1949.

To: HQ Entries & Exits Branch,
Intelligence Division,
100 H.Q., C.C.G.,
BAD SALZUFLEN, BAOR 15.

Subject: Technical Instruction No.33

1. Reference your HQ/EE/4018/4 dated 29th January and telecon. AULT/MARCHANT of 15th February.

2. Foreign Office have now decided that Jews, including men of military age, will be permitted to leave the British Zone without restriction, thus bringing our policy in Germany into line with that adopted in regard to Cyprus.

3. No publicity will be given to this decision, and no public announcement will be made.

S. AULT
for Chief, PW & DP Division

Copy to: Central Secretariat,
Section G,
60 H.Q., C.C.G.,
LUBBECKE, BAOR 1.

SA/FWP

See F867

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CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION FOR GERMANY
17 FEB 1949

Control Commission for Germany (British Element)

Incoming SECRET Cipher Telegram

Copy No. .....

COPY NO. 12.

FROM: FRANCOMB

TO: FOREIGN OFFICE

INFO: BERCOMB
CONCOMB LUBBECKE
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D. 1715 16 FEB. 49
R. 2300 16 FEB. 49

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Your telegram 250 departure of Jews of military age.

I communicated your instructions to my colleagues at the Tripartite meeting today. Clay said that he was still under instructions to prevent Jews of military age from leaving and he would be bound to take this attitude in the combined travel bureau. However he would report the matter to his government and expected that he would receive instructions similar to my own.

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DISPLACED PERSONS BRANCH
POLITICAL DIVISION
HQ CCG (BE)
BERLIN, BAOR 2

TEL. No.:—
REFERENCE:— POL 267/ 13 /49

12th February, 1949.

CONFIDENTIAL.

To: PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
66 HQ CCG (BE),
LEMGO. BAOR 15.

1. Reference our telegram No. 134 dated 27th January 1949, to the Foreign Office, repeated to you as No. BGCC 23 on the same date, and telephone conversation between McVittie-Logan Gray of the 11th February. You will now have seen Foreign Office telegram to us No. 250, 9th February, 1949, which was repeated to you Saving on the same date. We have officially notified our U.S. and French colleagues of the Foreign Office decision and you are therefore authorised to take the necessary measures forthwith.

2. We are enclosing for your information a copy of our letter to the U.S. and French elements.

Director,
Displaced Persons Branch,
Political Division.

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No. 207 /49.

CONFIDENTIAL. 12th February, 1949

You will remember that we recently approached you with regard to the raising of the ban on the movement of male Jewish displaced persons of military age from Germany to Palestine. At that time you informed us that so far as you were concerned the ban still applied in your Zone. We have now received closer instructions from London authorising us to raise the ban and to permit all Jewish DPs including men of military age to leave the British Zone without restriction. These instructions therefore will have the effect of bringing our policy on Germany into line with that recently adopted in regard to Cyprus.

We should be very glad if you would kindly acknowledge this letter adding any comments you may have on the effect that this decision may have on the present policy in your Zone.

D. LOGAN GRAY
DIRECTOR
(D. P. BRANCH)
POLITICAL DIVISION

Director,
Displaced Persons Branch
Political Division.

Colonel L. C. Kelly,
Civil Administration Division,
CCG(US), APO 742,
Berlin.

Copied to: Dr. Meillon,
Commandement an Chef Francaise en Allemagne,
96, Kurfurstendam,
Berlin.

Control Commission for Germany (British Element)

Incoming CONFIDENTIAL Cipher Telegram

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FROM FOREIGN OFFICE

TO BERLIN (MILITARY GOVERNOR)

INFO VIENNA NO 14 SAVING
PARIS NO 309 SAVING
WASHINGTON NO 473 SAVING
NEW YORK (U.K. DEL.) NO 272 SAVING
ROME NO 61 SAVING
CONCOMB LUBBECKE SAVING
LEMGO SAVING

IY 03914

NO 250

CONFIDENTIAL

D: 1430 10 FEB 49
R: 0930 14 FEB 49

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Your telegram No 134 (of 27th January: departure of Jews of military age).

You should now inform your French and United States colleagues that all Jews including men of military age will be permitted to leave the British zone without restriction, thus bringing our policy in Germany into line with that adopted in regard to Cyprus. After such notification you are authorised to take the necessary measures forthwith. No public announcement should be made.

NOTE BY MESSAGE CENTRE

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Seen by Chiefs of Staff 14/2/49.

Offices 14/2/49.

PSS (HQ) 1744 ®/80M/11-48

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2442 Ext.17.

/4007/25:

9th February, 1949.

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Central Secretariat,
60 HQ CCG (BE),
LUBBECKE, BAOR.1.

Political Division,
82 HQ CCG (BE),
BERLIN, B.A.O.R.2.

PW & DP Division,
66 HQ CCG (BE),
LEMGO, BAOR.

CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & 11 FEB 1949 DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION FOR GERMANY

SUBJECT: Travel to Palestine.

In view of the de facto recognition of the State of Israel by H.M. Government, as from the date of receipt of this letter, Israeli Passports may be accepted as valid travel documents and exit permits endorsed therein.

for Director
ENTRIES AND EXITS BRANCH

DS/MU

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Sec.

Displaced Persons Branch,
POLITICAL DIVISION
82 HEADQUARTERS
CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
(BRITISH ELEMENT)
BERLIN, BAOR 2

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From

Telephone

8th February, 1949.

POL 267 / 10 /49.

CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & 11 FEB 1949 DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION FOR GERMANY

To : PW & DP Division,
CCG LEMGO
66 HQ CCG (BE),
BAOR 15.

Subject: Movement of Jews to Palestine from the British Zone

The Director of this Branch, in conference with the Chief Political Division, considered that the statement made by Mr. Mayhew, M.P., in the House of Commons on 26th January (See Hansard Volume 460 No. 46 Column 1003 Subject Middle East Affairs) was based on His Majesty's Government's policy.

As a result of this statement, therefore, it is the opinion of this Division that PW and DP Division should continue with their programme of making up the first train of refugees as agreed between Mr. Logan Gray and Mr. Matthews in order that there may be no delay in getting this scheme under way.

for Director,
Displaced Persons Branch.

EF.

Telecon. AULT / PEARMAN WILSON

7.4 A.

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Pearman Wilson stated that the Chief, Political Division accepted Hansard statement of 26 Jan 49 as representing policy of HMG. A letter was therefore being drafted giving permission for lifting of ban on 18-45's. and should reach this HQ. by 10/2/49.

8/2/49.

Ault
Liaison

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Ref: HQ.Int.Div/S3/DGP/22778.

Tel: Herford 2215

Headquarters,
Intelligence Division,
70 HQ. CCG. (BE),
B.A.O.R. 15.

7 February 1949

To: HQ. Entries & Exits Branch,
Intelligence Division,
100 HQ. CCG. (BE),
BAD SALZUFLEN, BAOR. 15.

SUBJECT: Emigration to PALESTINE

There is no security objection to issue of Permits to the persons enumerated on the undermentioned Nominal Rolls.

Nominal Roll1 No. 8004/H/PAL/JEND/3/1/49
8008/H/PAL/JEND/7/1/49
8007/H/PAL/JEND/6/1/49
8006/H/PAL/--/5/1/49
8002/H/PAL/--/1/1/49
8005/H/PAL/--/4/1/49
8003/H/PAL/--/3/1/49

(D.G.PUGH)
for Director of Security.

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Copy to: PWDP Documentation Office,
Emigration Transit Centre,
FALLINGBOSTEL, BAOR. 23.

PWDP Division,
66 HQ. CCG. (BE) LEMGO, BAOR. 15.

PCIRO Zone HQ.
66 HQ. CCG. (BE) LEMGO, BAOR. 15.

DGP/MAM.

Control Commission for Germany (British Element)

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Outgoing Confidential Telegram

TO : FOREIGN OFFICE

OYB 872

TEL. NO: 134

ORIG : } 27 JAN 49
SENT : 1715 }

DATE : 27 JANUARY 1949

CYPHER/OTP

IMPORTANT

RPTD : VIENNA 3
PARIS 25
WASHINGTON 13
UKDEL NEW YORK 5
ROME 2
LUBBECKE 23 BGCC
LEMGO 23 BGCC
} SAVING

Your telegram No. 126 + of 22nd January 1949.

1. Our U.S. and FRENCH colleagues have confirmed that they are still applying the ban on the emigration to PALESTINE of JEWS of Military age. The FRENCH state, however, that, in view of impending developments, they are expecting fresh instructions in the near future. The U.S. authorities are anxious to lift the ban and have already made representations to WASHINGTON on these lines, but so far without success. It is possible that they may take this matter up again with WASHINGTON as a result of our enquiries.

2. We ourselves would welcome the raising of the present ban as we feel that many of the JEWISH DPs of Military age in our ZONE will make their own way out of the ZONE, as occurred recently in the case of the OASIS JEWS. Further, we consider that if we announce our intention of raising the ban, the FRENCH and U.S. Authorities will quickly follow suit.

F.O. please pass SAVING to VIENNA, PARIS WASHINGTON UKDEL NEW YORK and ROME as my tel 3, 25, 13, 5 and 2 respectively.

+ IYB 1641

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TLK/JAR

PW/DP LEMGO

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LONDON, January 27th (JTA)

Britain will permit Jews in its Zone of Germany, in Tripoli and other territories under its control, to migrate to Israel regardless of whether they are of Military age or not, Under Secretary Christopher Mayhew to-day announced in the Commons.

He declared that following the decision to release the CYPRUS Jews, the British Government was deciding to apply the same policy to all other areas under British control. Asked if this meant that the Jews would be allowed to go free, Mayhew answered 'Yes'.

5/2/49.
Chief spoke Berlin & pointed out that all movement held up pending decision.
Logan-Grey later replied that he was hoping for decision by Monday & that it would probably be OK. - let all go.

Liaison 5/2/49

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From

Telephone 2666

Your Reference

Our Reference HQ/EE/4018/4:

HQ ENTRIES AND EXITS BRANCH,
INTELLIGENCE DIVISION,
CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
100 HQ CCG (BRITISH ELEMENT),
BAD SALZUFLEN,
B.A.O.R. 15.

29th January, 1949.

To: PW & DP Division,
66 HQ CCG (BE),
LEMGO, B.A.O.R.

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SUBJECT: Technical Instruction No.33.

Reference para 3 of the above.

1. It has been reported in the Press that Jews of military age have now been allowed to leave Cyprus to enter Palestine.

It would therefore seem logical that the embargo placed on the exit from Germany of Jewish males between 18 and 45 years of age should be removed.

2. It is requested that you will inform this office if, and when, this restriction is lifted.

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R S Tawley

for Director
ENTRIES AND EXITS BRANCH

RS/MU

Copy to: Central Secretariat,
G. Section,
60 HQ CCG (BE),
LUBBECKE.

Reference Bercomb signal 2630 Basic of 8th December 1948.

015/8/11

See

To Lemgo. 69A

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Cypher/OTP
Confidential

FROM FOREIGN OFFICE TO BERLIN

(To Military Governor)

No. 126 D.1.25 a.m.23rd January 1949

22nd January, 1949
Repeated to Vienna No. 3 Saving,
Paris No. 143 Saving,
Washington No. 225 Saving,
United Kingdom Delegation New York No.143 Saving,
Rome No. 21 Saving,
Lubbecke,
PWDP Division Lemgo

IMPORTANT

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Addressed Berlin telegram No. 126 of 22nd January repeated for information Saving to Vienna, Paris, Washington, United Kingdom Delegation New York, Rome, Lubbecke and PWDP Division Lemgo.

Exit permits for male Jews of military age.

I announced in Parliament on January 18th that the Jews of military age detained in Cyprus would be free to leave as soon as the Jewish authorities provide transport for them. The Acting Mediator had been informed accordingly.

2. You will no doubt wish to apply a similar relaxation in the British zone of Germany, and I authorise you to do so, if your French and United States colleagues can confirm that they are no longer applying in their zones a ban on the departure of Jews of military age.

3. You should send me an early report on the above.

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Seen by Mr Churchill
Sec of State
27/1.

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WR 112/4/48.

FOREIGN OFFICE

AD/dP. Division.
66, H.Q., C.C.
(BE)
Congo, 68A
B. 108 15.

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With the Compliments of
Refugee Department for
your information.

D15/5/11

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Outward Telegram from Commonwealth Relations Office

FOREIGN AFFAIRS & U.N. DEPT.
F.2890/52
CYPHER (TYPEX)

D.II

TO: U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN CANADA

(Sent 22.00 hours, 11th Jan., 1949)

CONTROL COMMISSION
P.W. & D.P. DIVISION
DATE 26 JAN 1949
FOR GERMANY (BE)

IMPORTANT
No. 37 SECRET

68C

Your telegram No. 18 of 7th January.

JEWISH REFUGEES

As to your point (a) we are very glad to see that the Canadian Government are thinking on the same lines as we are.

The question of shipping more Jews to Palestine is of direct concern to United Kingdom only in relation to exit-permits from territories controlled by the United Kingdom. We should no more want to stimulate such a movement ourselves than allow I.R.O. to do so in present circumstances, but on general grounds of justice we feel we cannot refuse exit permits to those whose entry into Palestine is already authorised and whose travelling expenses have been found. To such as these exit permits from the United Kingdom Zones are granted on application provided they are not of military age.

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2. As to point (b) see my telegram No. 21 of 8th January which crossed with your telegram under reference.

Copy to:-

Foreign Office Mr. E.B. Boothby (4)

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Inward Telegram to Commonwealth Relations Office

ALLOTTED TO GENERAL DEPT.

CYPHER (TYPEX) D.II.

FROM: U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN CANADA

D. 7th Jan., 1949. 22.07 hours
R. 8th " " 05.40 hours

No. 18 SECRET.

N.T.

My telegram 24th December 1948 No. 1114.

JEWISH REFUGEES

Department of External Affairs have broached at official level question of line to be taken on this subject in Executive Committee of I.R.O. if as they expect it meets in Geneva towards end of January.

2. Canadian Government are being pressed by Jews in Canada to support (a) resumption of shipment of Jews to Palestine from camps in Germany and Austria; (b) payment of cost by I.R.O. On (a) Canadians are wondering whether situation in Palestine is sufficiently settled to make it expedient to ship up to 120,000 more Jews especially as they would be likely to settle on abandoned Arab properties and thus to render more difficult the eventual return of Arab refugees. Even if (a) could be supported as a contribution to solution of D.P. problem in Europe Canadians see some illogicality in using I.R.O. money to send more Jews to Palestine virtually in replacement of Arabs at same time as United Nations are having to find money for Arab relief. Under (b) therefore question would arise whether if (a) is to be countenanced it should only be on condition that cost were met from non-I.R.O. sources, e.g. Jewish organisations in United States.

3. If there are any United Kingdom views which you would like to be communicated to Canadians this could most usefully be done in near future before time comes for instructions to Canadian representative be submitted to Ministers.

4. If meeting is in Europe Canadian representative will probably be Desy, Canadian Ambassador in Rome.

Copy to:- Foreign Office (Conference Dept.) Mr. N.M. Johns

Tel: Lemgo 604.

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec.

H.Q. PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
Lemgo,
66 HQ. C.C.G.,
B.A.O.R. 15.

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19 January, 1949.

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Amended

To: Distribution as below.

Subject: Granting of Exit Permits from the British Zone of Germany to Jewish Displaced Persons.

The following amendment is made to P.W. & D.P. Division Technical Instruction No.33, forwarded to you under this Division's letter No. PWDP/0150/11/Sec dated the 4th January, 1949 :-

Para 4

Under "MOVEMENT" delete the existing paragraph and substitute the following

"The Jewish Agency for Palestine will be responsible for the provision of Transport."

S.AULT
for Chief, P.W. & D.P. Division.

Distribution:

LONDON.
Foreign Office, Refugee Department (Attention - Mr. Wilkinson) (2)

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I.R.O.
400 H.Q., Lemgo, BAOR 15. (50)

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Control Commission for Germany (British Element)

Incoming Confidential Cipher Telegram

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FROM: BERCOMB BERLIN

TO: FOREIGN OFFICE NO 183 BASIC

INFO: CONCOMB LUBBECKE

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION
17 JAN 1949

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D. ---- 15 JAN. 49
R. 1215 15 JAN. 49

1. Your telegram No. 200 Basic dated 13 January, 1949. Amendment to paragraph headed "movement" of technical instruction No. 33, as proposed by you, is acceptable to PW and DP Division, Central Secretariat and this Headquarters.

This amendment will be issued by PW and DP Division immediately.

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NOTE BY MESSAGE CENTRE

DISTRIBUTION: PW & DP Div. LEMGO
M & M.C.

* IY 01107 refers

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Tel: LEMGO 601

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec

H.Q. PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
LEMGO,
66, Hq. CCG,
BAOR.15.

17 January, 1949

To: O.C. 45 DPAGCS
G.E.3.
Hohne Barracks.
HOHNE, Land Niedersachsen.

Subject: Emigration to Palestine

At a meeting held in this Headquarters today at which Mr. Rosensaft represented the Jewish Authorities, the following agreement on emigration to Palestine was reached:-

1. The first transport is to leave Hohne on the 8th Feb.49. Detailed instructions on the provision of rolling stock will follow later. If possible, arrangements should be made for a baggage inspection by Frontier Control to take place at Hohne on the 27th January, 1949, or as soon thereafter as practicable. The baggage will then be moved to Bremen for onward transmission. Detailed instructions will follow.

2. The Jewish Authorities now have 1100 persons for whom they have completed documentation. The documents concerned will be handed to you immediately, for onward processing. In this number is included 176 persons of military age who are regarded as totally unfit for military service. They will be divided into two groups:

(a) Those who are obvious cripples, e.g. armless, blind, etc.

(b) Those who require a medical clearance, e.g. T.B. cases etc.

Detailed instructions on the disposal of these two categories will follow.

3. You are requested to provide clothing where necessary up to authorised standards, if you are unable to do this you should report immediately to Q. Branch, this Headquarters.

K. W. Matthews.
for Chief, PW & DP Division.

Copy to: PWDP Branch, Hq. Land Niedersachsen.
206, R. Det. CMLR, 912 Hq Building, Muehlenstr. CMLR
Mr. Rosensaft.

KWM/GT

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FROM FOREIGN OFFICE GERMAN SECTION DTO 121930 D1/13 ZEQ-3- ORD

TO BERCOMB BERLIN

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REPEATED CONCOMB LUBBECKE NO 332 BASIC LEMGO PWDP 332 BASIC

NO 200 BASIC ~~&R~~ 12TH JANUARY 1949 CONFL. ADDRESSED TO BERLIN TELEGR

NO 200 BASIC OF 12TH JANUARY 1949 REPEATED FOR INFORMATION TO LUBBE

AND LEMGO PWDP. OUR TELEGRAM NO 3692 BASIC. WE HAVE NOW HAD AN

OPPORTUNITY OF DISCUSSING DETAILS WITH TODD.

2. WHILE TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION NO 33 IS GENERALLY SPEAKING

IN LINE WITH OUR VIEWS WE CONSIDER THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER IF

THE PARAGRAPH HEADED QUOTE MOVEMENT UNQUOTE WERE AMENDEDTO

READ SIMPLY QUOTE THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE WILL BE

RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROVSION OF TRANSPORT UNQUOTE THE LAST SENTENCE

BEING OMITTED ALTOGETHER.

3. THIS WOULD HELP MATERIALLY IN DISPELLING ANY IMPRESSIONS

THAT WE WERE ACTIVELY PROMOTING PALESTINE IMMIGRATION WHICH WOULD

BE QUITE INCONISTENT WITH PRESENT POLICY.

4. WE HOPE THAT THIS AMENDMENT WILL PROVE ACCEPTABLE AND THAT

PW/DP DIVISION MAY BE AUTHORISED TO ACT ACCORDINGLY

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Control Commission for Germany (British Element)

Incoming CONFIDENTIAL Telegram

CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & 12 JAN 1949 DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION FOR GERMANY

FROM: M & M.C. BERLIN TO: CONCOMB LUBBECKE

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D. 1630 11 JAN. 49
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Following telegram received from Foreign Office addressed Berlin tel. No. 139 Basic of 10 January, 1949.

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Your telegram No. 46 Basic*.

Unless there are very pressing reasons of which we are unaware we do not think it desirable to deny exit permits to Jewish Women of Military age.

2. Quite apart from giving fresh ammunition to Jewish propagandists (who are already making great play over the cancellation of "Journey's end"). Such a proposal would be out of line with the policy which we have adopted in Cyprus.

Ends.

NOTE BY MESSAGE CENTRE

* IY 00436 refers

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M & M.C.

Sd 12/1/49. Chief of Staff Secretariat

Please see note at foot of 62A.

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Control Commission for Germany (British Element)

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CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (BRITISH ELEMENT) 7 JAN 1949 ALLIED LIAISON DIVISION

FROM: BERCOMB BERLIN TO: FOREIGN OFFICE

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D. 1630 05 JAN. 49
R. 1445 06 JAN. 49

Tel. No. 46 Basic

Further to our 2630 Basic of 8 December, 1948.

May we have your approval to ban women of military age as well as men from obtaining exit permits from the British Zone of Germany.

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Tel: LEMGO 604

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec

H.Q. P.W. & D.P. Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
Lemgo,
66 H.Q. C.C.G.,
B.A.O.R. 15.

1st January, 1949

To: Distribution as below

Subject:- Granting of Exit Permits from the British Zone of Germany to Jewish Displaced Persons

P.W. & D.P. Division Technical Instruction No. 33, (superseding Technical Instruction No. 32) relative to the above, is forwarded herewith for information and action where necessary.

S. AULT
for Chief, P.W. & D.P. Division.

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CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (BRITISH ELEMENT)

PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION

TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION NO. 33

(SUPERSEDING TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION NO. 32)

CONDITIONS GOVERNING THE ISSUE TO REGISTERED JEWISH DISPLACED PERSONS OF EXIT PERMITS FROM THE BRITISH ZONE OF GERMANY

INTRODUCTION

1. Foreign Office have now approved the issue of Exit Permits from the British Zone of Germany to Registered Jewish Displaced Persons holding valid ISRAELI Visas of Entry to PALESTINE, ~~excepting Males of Military age~~.

INTENTION

2. To define the method of deciding the eligibility of, and documentation for, those Jewish Displaced Persons who may be issued with Exit Permits from the British Zone of Germany.

METHOD

3. Eligibility

Registered Jewish Displaced Persons in the British Zone of Germany, ~~with the exception of males between the ages of 18 and 45 years inclusive~~, who have been nominated for emigration to PALESTINE and to whom Entry Visas will be issued subject to their ability to comply with existing immigration regulations, are eligible to apply for permission to leave the British Zone of Germany.

4. Selection

Mr. A. C. CLARKE, Commander No. 45 D.P.A.C.C.S., or his appointed deputy, will be responsible for deciding a candidates eligibility to apply for an Exit Permit from the British Zone of Germany.

Documentation

(a) The names of all successful applicants will be listed on Nominal rolls which will bear the following certification, signed by Mr. J. BORUCHI of the Jewish Agency for Palestine.

"All persons listed on this nominal roll have been nominated for emigration to Palestine, and Entry Visas will be issued subject to the individual's ability to comply with existing immigration regulations".

(b) The nominal rolls will be prepared in sufficient numbers to allow of the following distribution:-

(i)	Intelligence Division	2 copies
(ii)	Entries & Exits Branch	2 copies
(iii)	Zonal Documentation Officer, Fallingbostel.	1 copy
(iv)	Commander No. 45 DPACCS (includes 1 copy for T.C.O.)	2 copies

All copies of the nominal roll will be certified by Mr. A. C. CLARKE, Commander No. 45 DPACCS or his appointed Deputy.

(c) Two copies of Form C.T.B. 101 (Application for Temporary Travel Document) will be completed by each successful applicant and attached to the IRO Form C/M/1/A (Refugee/Displaced Person Statistical Record Card) together with 2 passport photographs.

NOTE:- Form C.T.B. 101 will be completed by each adult applicant, the particulars of the children under sixteen years of age, if any, being noted on the form completed by the father. One Temporary Travel Document will be issued to the father, mother, and children, for the single charge of DM 20.

(d) The applicants DP Registration/Identity Card will be stamped "EMIGRATED".

(e) Arrangements for the provision of identity photographs of applicants will be made by the Jewish Voluntary Societies at the Transit Centre, i.e. HOHNE DP ASSEMBLY CENTRE.

(f) All the nominal rolls and application forms referred to in sub paras (a), (b) and (c) above will be forwarded to the Zonal Documentation Office (PW & DP Division) at the Regional Resettlement Processing Centre, FALLINGBOSTEL, who will complete normal documentation procedure and arrange with Entries and Exits Branch, BAD SALZUFLEN, to prepare Temporary Travel Documents.

(g) Individual Temporary Travel Documents will be issued by Entries and Exits Branch, BAD SALZUFLEN.

(h) The Zonal Documentation Officer on receiving advice from Entries and Exits Branch that the Temporary Travel Documents are ready for collection will:-

(i) Inform Commander 45 DPCOS (Tel HOHNE Civil 600) of the amount due in respect of charges for the documents.

(ii) Issue the appointed Jewish Voluntary Society representative with a signed authority to collect the Temporary Travel Documents.

(j) Temporary Travel Documents will be collected by the appointed Jewish Voluntary Society representative from Entries and Exits Branch, BAD SALZUFLEN. Payment of the charges due will be made at the time of collection of the documents.

MOVEMENT

The Jewish Agency for Palestine will be responsible for ~~negotiating with I.G. PW & DP Division~~ for the provision of transport ~~from the Transit Centre to the border of the British Zone of Germany. Onward movement from that point, and all arrangements connected therewith, will be the entire responsibility of the Jewish Authorities.~~

FRONTIER CONTROL AND SECURITY CHECK

Arrangements for the check of baggage at HOHNE by the Frontier Control Service will be made by PW & DP Branch, Land Niedersachsen. All baggage may be opened for control and security checks in the presence of the owners, after which it will be sealed by the Frontier Control Service.

TRAIN CONDUCTING OFFICIALS

PW & DP Branch, Land Niedersachsen will detail ONE official who will be in charge of each party from the time of entraining at HOHNE (BERGEN STATION) until

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arrival at the detraining point on the border of the British Zone of Germany. The Train Conducting Officer (T.C.O.) will arrive at Hohne two days before the departure of each party and will make himself familiar with all arrangements for their movement. Before entraining he will check all passengers with the nominal roll supplied to him by Commander No. 45 IPACCS and will ensure that none other than authorised persons are on the train.

Date: 21 January, 1949

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec

Tel: LEMGO 604

Ref: PWDP/0/50/11/Sec.

HQ. PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
C.C.G. LEMGO,
66 HQ C.C.G.,
B.A.O.R. 15.

6 January, 1949.

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To: HQ. Entries & Exits Branch,
Intelligence Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
C.C.G. BAD SALZUFLEN,
100 HQ C.C.G.,
B.A.O.R. 15.

SUBJECT: Granting of Exit Visas to Jewish Displaced Persons - T.I No. 33.

Reference your HQ.EE/4018/4 dated 15 December 1948 and subsequent telecon AULT/MARCHANT.

Enclosed herewith are:-

a) Specimen signature of Mr. J. BORUCHI of the Jewish Agency for PALESTINE.

b) The required impressions of the Consular and Entry Visa stamps.

c) Specimen signatures of Mr. Clarke and his authorised deputy Miss Charles.

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S. AULT.
for Chief, PW & DP Division.

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Ext: 312

ZECO/011107/1/Sec G.

Zonal Executive Offices,
CCG Lubbecke,
60 HQ CCG,
BAOR 1.

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31st December, 1948

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To: HQ PW/DP Division,
66 HQ CCG,
Lemgo,
BAOR

SUBJECT: T.I. No.33 Superseding T.I. No.32
Operation "Journey's End"

Reference your PW/DP/0150/11/Sec. dated 30th December, 1948.

Your draft Instruction is approved. Would you please arrange issue at the earliest.

PNPB/RS

Central Secretariat
(P.N.P.BULL)

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION
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Tel: LEMGO 602

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec

H.Q. PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
LEMGO,
66, HQ. CCG,
BAOR.15.

20 December, 1948.

To: Central Secretariat,
LUBBECKE,
60, HQ. CCG,
BAOR.1.

Subject: T.I. No.33 Superseding T.I.32-
Journeys End.

Reference telecon Ault/Bull.

Herewith for your approval draft of proposed T.I.33. to replace the cancelled T.I. 32.

Your early approval and/or comments would be appreciated.

for C. A. B. McVittie.
for Chief, PW & DP Division.

CABMcV/GQ.

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Tel: 312

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Zonal Executive Offices,
C.C.G. LUBBECKE,
60 HQ C.C.G. (BE),
B.A.O.R. 1.

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17 December, 1948

HQ PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
66 HQ C.C.G.
LEMGO, B.A.O.R. 15.

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Subject: Operation "Journeys End" - Eligibility

Reference your PWDP/0150/11/Sec.G. of 7th December and 4th December 1948.

It has been ruled that no male of military age, i.e. between the ages of 18 and 45, shall be given permission to proceed to Palestine, irrespective of any other consideration which may be put forward.

Central Secretariat.

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Copy to: (D.P. Branch, Political Division. 23/12/48

CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION 20 DEC 1948 FOR GERMANY

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FROM FOREIGN OFFICE(GERMAN SECTION)

TO BERCOMB BERLIN NO 3917 BASIC

INFO CONCOMB LUBBECKE NO 6892 BASIC

PWDP LEMGO NO 6892 BASIC

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
PRISONERS OF WAR &
8 DEC 1948
DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION

NFA CA 22/12/48.

ADDRESSED TO BERLIN TELEGRAM NO 3917 BASIC OF 7TH DECEMBER 1948 REPEATED FOR INFORMATION TO LUBBECKE AND LEMGO. MY TELEGRAM NO 3692 BASIC PARAGRAPH 5. THE ACTING MEDIATOR HAS PRESSED THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR INFORMATION ON THIS POINT IN CONNECTION WITH CYPRUS.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IMMEDIATELY WHETHER WE CAN ISSUE AN AUTHORITATIVE DENIAL.

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6498 Bsic to Lemgo 27/11

Agreed for Home 8/12 + 13/12

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Zonal Executive Offices,
CCG Lubbecke,
60 HQ CCG,
BAOR 1.

13 December, 1948.

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION
15 DEC 1948

To: HQ PW & DP Division,
66 HQ CCG,
Lemgo,
BAOR 15.

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SUBJECT: Operation "Journey's End" - Eligibility

Reference your PWDP/0150/11/Sec dated 4th December, 1948. Your proposal to set up a Medical Board with the object of deciding on the physical fitness, or otherwise, of would-be emigrants to Palestine, is approved.

It is noted that you suggest that IRO should be represented on this Board. Whilst we have no strong views on their presence on the Board, it is understood that hitherto IRO have refused to be implicated in this operation.

It is agreed that the Military system of grading should be adopted, but the question of which categories should be permitted to emigrate is being referred to Berlin for a decision. We will advise you of the decision taken as early as possible.

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Zonal Executive Offices,
CCG Lubbecke,
60 HQ CCG,
BAOR 1.

13 December, 1948.

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To: DP Branch,
Political Division,
HQ CCG Berlin,
BAOR 2.

SUBJECT: Operation "Journey's End" - Eligibility

Attached is a copy of a letter from PW & DP Division on the above subject.

You will note that PW & DP Division are asking if certain exceptions can be made to the ruling that no medically fit individual of Military age will be permitted to emigrate to Palestine.

The contents of your 6230 Basic of 8th December to the Foreign Office have been noted, but may it please be confirmed that this applies to the categories enumerated by PW & DP Division, since as you will realise that rigid application of the ban will very considerably restrict the operation.

PW & DP Division have also raised the question of the definition of fitness for Military service. May it please be confirmed that only persons who are judged completely unfit for Military service are to be given permission to emigrate, or whether a system equivalent to our own Military medical gradings can be adopted, with the lower categories of those gradings included in the eligibles for emigration.

In this latter connection, it is suggested that the Pulheem System issued under War Office Code No. 1972 of 1947 be adopted.

Central Secretariat.
(PN.P. BULL)

PNPB/LHP.
Copy to: PW & DP Division.

Telegraphic Address
"ENTEX LUBBECKE"

Telephone:
BAD SALZUFLEN 2666

File Ref : HQEE/4018/4

H.Q. ENTRIES & EXITS BRANCH,
Intelligence Division,
C.C.G. Bad Salzuflen,
100 H.Q. C.C.G. B.A.O.R. 15.

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Date: 15th December, 1948.

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION
16 DEC 1948

To HQ PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
66 HQ CCG
L E M G O - BAOR 15.

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Subject:- Travel of Jews to Palestine.

Reference your letter PWDP/0150/11/Sec (L) dated 23 November 48, para 2, may we be informed when impressions of the Consular and Entry Visa stamps will be made available.

R.S. Tavelly.

for Director
Entries & Exits Branch.

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Control Commission for Germany (British Element)

Incoming CONFIDENTIAL Telegram

CONCOMB PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION 14 DEC 1948 FOR GERMANY

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FROM: BERCOMB BERLIN

TO: FOREIGN OFFICE

INFO: CONCOMB LUBBECKE

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D: 1730 8 DEC 48
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TEL.NO. 2630 BASIC.

Your 3917 basic of 8th December 1948. + F.46A

Please see our telegram no 2610 basic of 7th December 1948. ++

Definite instructions have been issued that no Jewish D.P. of Military age, whatever his marital status, will be issued with an exit permit to leave the British Zone of Germany.

NOTE BY MESSAGE CENTRE

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CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & 13 DEC 1948 FOR GERMANY

Tele. No. HOHNE CIVIL 600 45/4/AQ

Subject: - Absence on Leave - Mr. A.C. CLARKE.

To: - Relief Detachment Celle,
206 HQ CCG (BE).

Please note that I shall be absent on UK leave from 16 Dec 1948 to 19 Jan 1949, both dates inclusive.

Miss F.E. CHARLES will deputise for me during my absence as DPACS Comd. and also as Chairman of JOURNEY'S END Selection Board.

Commander, 45/83 D.P.A.C.S. CCG (BE)
(A.C. CLARKE)

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10 Dec 1948
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Tel: Lemgo 602.

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H.Q., PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
C.C.G. LEMGO.
66 HQ. C.C.G.
B.A.O.R. 15.

11th December, 1948.

To: Distribution as below.

Subject: Emigration of Jewish Displaced Persons to Palestine
Operation "Journey's End".

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PW & DP Division Technical Instruction No. 32 is hereby cancelled and all copies will be destroyed forthwith.

C.A.B. McVittie

C.A.B. McVittie.
for Chief, PW & DP Division.

SA/HC.

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POLITICAL DIVISION,
HEADQUARTERS,
CONTROL COMMISSION FOR
GERMANY (B.E.),
BERLIN B.A.O.R.

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86-5341
POL/577/30/48

8th December, 1948.

Dear

Pulverman gave me an account of his interview with you in London on the subject of Jewish emigration to Palestine from the British Zone of Germany. We regret that PW & DP Division's Technical Instruction No. 32 should have caused you any embarrassment vis à vis the American Delegation to I.R.O. You will now have seen our telegram No. BASIC 2610 of 7th December, 1948 which we hope will put this matter right.

The position at our end is that the Military Governor is very anxious to see the last of these Jewish Displaced Persons whom, as you know, have caused us a considerable amount of trouble in the past. We were consequently very pleased when we received the Refugee Department's permission to raise the ban on the issue of Exit Permits to Jewish Displaced Persons, and were naturally anxious to take full advantage of this opportunity to speed these people on their way. I don't know whether you remember that when "Grand National" was started originally it was agreed that this movement should be controlled exclusively by the Jewish Agency operating in the British Zone. It was subsequently found, however, that they were quite incapable of doing so, and the responsibility for the organisation of this movement was placed on PW & DP Division. Further, we have recently had some trouble with the U.S. Authorities in Germany over the illegal exodus of some 2,000 "Oasis" Jews, a great many of whom found their way into the U.S. Zone. We feel, therefore, that PW & DP Division had these various points in their mind when they drafted their Instruction, and that the Instruction was intended to exercise some degree of control and to prevent the movement developing into a rout. You will see from our telegram that this Instruction has now been cancelled, and will be replaced by a new Instruction which will put the responsibility fairly and squarely on the shoulders of the various Jewish Agencies operating in the British Zone, except for the issue of Exit Permits and the procurement of any necessary rail movement within the British Zone of Germany.

You are aware, I think, that all previous movement under "Grand National" from the British Zone ceased in the month of May, 1948, and that since that date we have not sponsored any movement of Jewish Displaced Persons towards Palestine. Our information is that official movement of Jewish Displaced Persons of non-military age from the U.S. Zone of Germany has been continuous, and we understand has been sponsored by the U.S. Authorities in Germany. We feel that the contention of the U.S. Delegation with I.R.O. that we are rendering active assistance to Jewish Displaced Persons in their emigration to Palestine is not justified by the facts and certainly I.R.O. in the British Zone have not been associated with any movement of Jewish Displaced Persons from the British Zone to Palestine. The situation in the U.S. Zone has always been entirely different to that in our own Zone. We hope, therefore, that you will not find it too difficult to rebut the accusations of your American colleagues.

0150/11

Yours

D. LOGAN GRAY
DIRECTOR
(D. P. BRANCH)
POLITICAL DIVISION

C. J. Edmonds, Esq., CMG., CBE.,
Refugee Department,
Foreign Office,
Downing Street,
London, S.W.1.

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Chief, HQ PW & DP Division,
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Colonel R. O. Pulverman, OBE.,
A.C.O.S.(Exec) 'A',
CCG Lubbecke, Zonal Executive Offices,
B.A.O.R. 1.

E. B. Boothby, Esq.,
Refugee Department,
Foreign Office,
Downing Street,
London, S.W.1.

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מדינת ישראל
משרדי הקונסוליה במינכן
CONSULATE OF ISRAEL

בתשובה נא להזכיר:
In reply please quote:

MUNICH
11, Maria-Theresia Str. Phone: 42011
Cable-address: Memisrael, Muenchen.

December 3rd 1948

TO : Chief PWDP Division, Lemgo
FROM : Consul of Israel, Munich

Sir

This is to advise you, that Mr. Yehoshua Boruchi, Senior Representative of the Jewish Agency for Palestine for the British Zone of Germany is authorized on my behalf tom issue immigration visas for Israel to residents of the British Zone

4/12/48.

Sincerely Yours
Dr. Chaim Hoffman
Consul of Israel

Control Commission for Germany (British Element)

Incoming CONFIDENTIAL Cipher Telegram

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FROM FOREIGN OFFICE (GERMAN SECTION) TO BERCOMB BERLIN NO 3917 BASIC

IY NO 43577 34A INFO: CONCOMB LUBBECKE NO 6892 BASIC
LEMGO PW & DP NO 6892 "

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MY TEL:NO:3692 BASIC. CONFIDENTIAL

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D. 1830 7 DEC: 48.
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THE ACTING MEDIATOR HAS PRESSED THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR INFORMATION ON THIS POINT IN CONNECTION WITH CYPRUS.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IMMEDIATELY WHETHER WE CAN ISSUE AN AUTHORITATIVE DENIAL.

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Note: Berlin on phone to state that F.O. informed by signal that no repeat no males between 18-45 years crossed be permitted to leave

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Tele. No. HOHNE CIVIL 600 45/135/10/G

CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & 8 DEC 1948 FOR GERMANY

Subject: - Operation "JOURNEY'S END".

To: - PW/DP Division
Zonal Executive Offices
66 HQ CCG (BE)
L E M G O
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1. Herewith TWELVE impressions of the stamp to be used by JOURNEY'S END Selection Board with specimen signature of the Chairman.

2. The specimen signature of Miss F.E. CHARLES is also given in view of the fact that she will act as Chairman during the absence of the undersigned.

3. I understand that the J.A.F.P. representative, Mr. BORUCHI, handed impressions of the Jewish stamps and specimen signatures to the Deputy Chief in Lemgo on 3 Dec 48.

HOHNE
6 Dec 48
BAOR 23

Commander, 45/83 D.P.A.C.S. CCG (BE)
(A.C. CLARKE)

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FROM BERCOMB DTO 07--- QVR 3 D2/08 ORDIANRY

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TO FOREIGN OFFICE

INFO CONCOMB PS AND DP LEMGO ROME FOR EDMONDS. 34A - 88

BASIC 2610 CONFL YOUR TEL NO 3692 BASIC OF 26TH NOV 48. WE AGREE THAT DWDP TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION NO 32 GIVES RISE TO A WRONG IMPRESSION AS TO THE EXTENT OF THEIR INTENDED PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTUAL MOVEMENT OF JEWISH DPS FROM THE BRITISH ZONE. WE HAVE DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH LUBBECKE AND LEMGO AND IT HAS BEEN DECIDED TO CANCEL THE INSTRUCTION. A NEW INSTRUCTION WILL BE ISSUED WITH A LIMITED DISTRIBUTION MAKING IT CLEAR TO ALL CONCERNED THE DEGREE OF SPONSORSHIP WHICH WE ARE WILLING TO GIVE TO THIS MOVEMENT. OUR INTERPRETATION OF THIS SPONSORSHIP IS THAT IT SHOULD EXTEND SIMPLY TO THE GRANTING OF EXIT PERMITS AND ASSISTANCE IF NECESSARY WITH RAIL MOVEMENT WITHIN THE BRITISH ZONE OF GERMANY. IT WILL ALSO BE NECESSARY TO EXERCISE SUPERVISION TO ENSURE THAT JEWISH DPS OF MILITARY AGE ARE NOT GIVEN EXIT PERMITS.

2. YOU WILL REMEMBER THAT THE JEWISH AGENCIES WERE UNABLE TO CONTROL EFFECTIVELY THE "GRAND NATIONAL" MOVEMENTS AND WE HOPE YOU WILL AGREE THAT THE DEGREE OF SUPERVISION OUTLINED IN PARA 1 IS NECESSARY TO PREVENT THE MOVEMENT DEVELOPING INTO A ROUT. ALL OTHER NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MOVEMENT OF JEWISH DPS TO PALESTINE WILL BE THESOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE VARIOUS JEWISH AGENCIES OPERATING THE BRITISH ZONE.

3. YOUR PARA 4 IS NOTED.

4. YOUR PARA 5. CLEAR INSTRUCTIONS HAVE BEEN ISSUED THAT EVERY JEWISH DP OF MILITARY AGE WHATEVER HIS MARITAL STATUS WILL BE GIVEN AN EXIT PERMIT TO LEAVE GERMANY. PASS TO ROME AS MY TEL NO 43

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION 8 DEC 1948

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Tel: LEMGO 602

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/SEC

H.Q. PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
C.C.G. LEMGO,
66 HQ C.C.G.,
B.A.O.R. 15.

7 December, 1948.

To: Central Secretariat,
Zonal Executive Offices,
60 H.Q. C.C.G.,
C.C.G. LUBBECKE,
B.A.O.R. 1.

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SUBJECT: Operation "Journey's End" - Eligibility

Please refer to PWDP/0150/11/SEC dated 4th December and telecon AULT/BULL of Saturday, 4th December.

1. At a further informal meeting on the implementation of Technical Instruction No. 32, the question was raised of the treatment of particular types of hardship cases which might arise in the age groups 18 to 45.

2. It was stated that there were categories which, although within this age group and physically fit, were exempted from military service, e.g. all men of over 40 years of age, men who have to support more than two dependants, the only son of an elderly widow.

3. It was further stated that a written undertaking could be obtained from the ISRAELI Government to the effect that any entrants from the British Zone could be exempted from Military service.

4. It is felt that any undertaking which might be given that these categories are exempted from military service would be of doubtful value, since the originator of the undertaking is not recognised by H.M.G. On the other hand it should be appreciated that the total exclusion of all fit males between 18 and 45 years of age will seriously restrict the entire operation since the dependants of this class are unlikely to leave without their menfolk.

5. Your guidance on this problem is requested at the same time as on matters contained in our PWDP/0150/11/SEC of 4th December, 1948.

C.A.B. McVITTIE

C.A.B. McVITTIE
for Chief, PWDP Division.

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Tel: LEMGO 602 CONFIDENTIAL

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec

HQ PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
66 HQ. C.C.G.,
LEMGO,
B.A.O.R. 15

To: Central Secretariat,
Zonal Executive Offices,
60 HQ. C.C.G.,
Lubbecke,
B.A.O.R. 15.

4 December, 1948

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Subject: Operation "Journey's End" - Eligibility

Please refer to PWDP/0150/11 dated 16th November, 1948 - PWDP Division Technical Instruction No. 32.

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1. Paragraph 3 (a)(i) of the Technical Instruction, in accordance with your letter ZECO/011107/1 of the 26th October, makes ineligible for exit from the British Zone "Male Jewish Displaced Persons who are medically fit for Military Service and are between the ages of 18 and 45 years inclusive".

2. It has now become evident that it will be necessary to set up a Medical Board, both in order to adjudicate in cases where males between these ages claim to be medically unfit (10 of the first 47 have made claim to this), and also so as to afford the CCG official on the Selection Board the necessary authoritative support, which support he will undoubtedly require when taking the final decision as to a candidate's eligibility or otherwise to leave the Zone.

3. This question has been discussed with the Medical Services Section of this Division, who state that in their opinion the Board would be unable to reach a decision without guidance as to what constitutes being "medically fit for Military Service", or rather, in this case, what medical condition would render a person eligible to proceed on this scheme. In this connection they suggest referring to the Army system of medical categories A - E which are well defined and could be the basis of grading by the Medical Board, but in the event of this classification being adopted, it would be necessary for a ruling to be given on what categories should be passed or rejected.

4. May this Headquarters, therefore, please receive your approval to the proposal to set up a Medical Board (to comprise Medical Officers representing PW & DP Division, I.R.O. and the Jews), and also guidance on the question raised in paragraph 3 above.

Sgd. K.M.M.

C. A. B. McVITTIE
for Chief, PW & DP Division

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Tel: LEMGO 610

Ref: PWDP/1260

H.Q. P.W. & D.P. Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
Lemgo,
66 H.Q. C.C.G.,
B.A.O.R. 15.

6 December, 1948

To: P.W. & D.P. Branch,
Land Niedersachsen,
229 H.Q. C.C.G.,
B.A.O.R.

Subject:- Operation - Journeys End

1. Train rations

Authority is hereby given for five days rations to be issued for the rail journey to MARSEILLES - this will cover any unforeseen delays en route.

2. IRO Repatriation Amenities

The issue of these is covered by the instructions given in teleprint PWDP/1270 dated 22nd October, 1948. HOHNE is one of the "last camps" referred to.

A. N. SKINNER,
for Chief, P.W. & D.P. Division.

Copy to Secretariat.

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See 10M(5)

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Ref: HQ.Int.Div/S3/2284.

Tel: Herford 2215.

HQ. Intelligence Division,
70 HQ CCG (BE)
B.A.O.R. 15.

9 December 1948.

To: HQ. Entries & Exits Branch,
Intelligence Division,
100 HQ CCG(BE)
BAD SALZUFLEN. BAOR. 15.

Subject: JOURNEY'S END

Enclosed herewith please find Nominal Roll 8000/H/Pol/JEND/1/ dated Nov.48 in respect of applicants for the above mentioned scheme.

There is no security objection to issue of Permits to the persons enumerated thereon.

for Director of Security.

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Copy to: PWDP Documentation Office,
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FALLINGBOSTEL. BAOR. 23.

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CONTROL PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS 6 DEC 1948 FOR GERMANY

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Col. (Retd) R.O. Pulverman, OBE.
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Zonal Executive Offices,

60 HQ CCG
Lubbecke,
BAOR 1.

December, 1948.

Dear

I had a long talk when I was in London with Boothby and afterwards with Edmonds about the Jewish question. They are both very concerned at our action and say that we are causing them considerable embarrassment by our action in helping these people, not only to leave the Zone but even to get as far as Marseilles en route for Palestine.

The background, as I understood it, is as follows:-

When the matter of continued Jewish emigration from the British Zone was re-opened after the cessation of operation "Grand National" Mr. Tuck refused to have anything to do with it. He gave as his grounds the fact that Jews from here who went to Palestine were merely creating another refugee problem in that country by displacing Arabs from their home. He therefore felt that it was wrong for I.R.O. to countenance or support such action in any way, financial or otherwise. This attitude was agreed by Edmonds and first by the American representative. However, great pressure has now been brought on Mr. Tuck from Jewish circles in New York to withdraw his order forbidding I.R.O. participation. The American representative is prepared to back this policy. At the last Meeting of the Committee an open split between the British and American representatives was avoided by agreement not to raise the matter but Edmonds knows it will be raised at the forthcoming Meeting commencing December 7th in Rome. He has already been tackled by the Americans who say that his policy is not consistent in that he supports the I.R.O. ruling that they should not participate, whereas in the British Zone the authorities are not only giving the Jews exit permits but actively assisting their emigration to Palestine.

Edmonds says that the Foreign Office signal authorising the grant of exit permits was meant not to extend further than this. It was felt that it would be wrong forcibly to detain any Jews in the British Zone who wished to go elsewhere and that therefore exit permits must be given. He would like us to alter our instructions so that our responsibility ceased with the grant of the exit permit and that thereafter it should be no concern of ours as to what happens to the Jews, all arrangements being made presumably by some Jewish Society or individuals themselves. He is most anxious to hear whether this is agreed so that he can judge his attitude to the Americans at the Meeting of the Committee.

He would also like us to go as far as possible in the banning of any person CAPABLE of bearing arms. This would debar virtually all of military age, whether fit or not.

I promised Edmonds that I would let you know his views as quickly as I could.

Yours

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Mr. D. Logan-Gray CBE,
Director,
DP Branch,
PW/DP Division,
HQ CCG (BE),
Berlin,
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Copies to: Mr. Edmunds CMB, CBE,
c/o Foreign Office,
Refugee Department,
Downing Street,
London, S.W.1.

Chief,
PW/DP Division.

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Notes for the question of exit for men of military age.

1) The Provisional Government of Israel is ready to submit a written commitment that any immigrants from the Zone will be exempted from military service.

2) Men of 40 years of age and above are not submitted to military service, anyway.

3) Men who have to support more than two dependents are exempted from draft regulations.

4) ~~An~~ The only son of an old widow is exempted from military service.

5) Medical examination has been performed hitherto by the Chief Physician of AJDC.

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Tele. No. HOHNE CIVIL 600 45/135/10/G

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY — PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS BRANCH — 3 DEC 1948

Subject: - "JOURNEY'S END".

To: - PW/DP Division
Zonal Executive Offices
66 HQ CCG (BE)
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Letter HQ/EE/4018/4 of 29 Nov 48, addressed to you from Entries and Exits Branch, BAD SALZUFLEN, refers: -

1. My 45/135/10/G of 23 Nov, authorising Miss MITZMANN to make direct approach to BAD SALZUFLEN, contained the proviso that she would only do so with the knowledge and consent of the Zonal Documentation Officer, at whose request the letter was written.

2. Miss MITZMANN will, of course, make direct approach to BAD SALZUFLEN only for the purpose of collecting TTD's, as required by para 6 of "Operation JOURNEY'S END Documentation Instruction" dated 16 Nov 48. This has been made clear to her. On all other matters she will deal with the Zonal Documentation Officer.

HOHNE
1 Dec 1948
BAOR 23

Commander, 45/83 D.P.A.C.S. CCG (BE)
(A.C. CLARKE)

Spoke STAVELEY who accepts this & agrees to liaison in lieu T.I. 16/12/48

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Copies to: - Zonal Documentation Officer
c/o 9 DPACS CCG (BE)
FALLINGBOSTEL BAOR 23.

HQ Exits and Entries Branch
Intelligence Division
100 HQ CCG (BE)
BAD SALZUFLEN BAOR 15

Miss Evelyn MITZMANN
J.R.U. 110
HOHNE CAMP BOAR 23

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CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (BRITISH ELEMENT)

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C.C.G. FORM (LARGE)

CALL	SERIAL No.	PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS	T. H. I.

FROM PWDP Lemgo

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Central Secretariat Concomb
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CCG/75850/PWDP(Sec) (.) 1 December 1948(.) Confidential(.) No. 3692 Basic dated 26th November from Foreign Office (German Section) to Berlin repeated Lubbecke refers(.) Following is reply suggested by PW & DP Division(.) (quote) Phrasing of PW & DP Division Technical Instruction No. 32 of 16 November in regard to acceptance of responsibilities by the CCG is not sufficiently clear(.) It is clearly understood here that CCG is responsible only for the provision of rolling stock for the movement this being the only possible medium(.) Jewish authorities are responsible for all other arrangements(.) Under these circumstances do you still wish that para 4(b) amended(.) The appearance of ISRAELI CONSUL in the distribution of the document is regretted and care will be taken to see that Foreign Office wishes are complied with in future(.) Para 3 (a) (i) of the Technical Instruction makes ineligible ALL Male Jewish Displaced Persons who are medically fit for Military Service and who are between the ages of 18 and 45 years inclusive(.) No mention is made of marital status and the statement referred to may be confidently denied

SIGNATURE C.A.B. Pettie
APPOINTMENT S.C.O.
DIV/GP for PW & DP.
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CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION FOR GERMANY
30 NOV 1948

From

Telephone 2666

Your Reference

Our Reference HQ/EE/4018/4:

HQ Entries and Exits Branch,
INTELLIGENCE DIVISION,
CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
100 HQ CCG (BRITISH ELEMENT),
BAD SALZUFLEN,
B.A.O.R. 15.

29th November, 1948.

To: PW & DP Division,
66 HQ CCG (BE), LEMGO.

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SUBJECT: "Journey's End".

1. It is requested that letter 45/135/10/G dated 23rd Nov.,48 from 45/83 D.P.A.C.S, which authorises a Miss MITZMAN of Hohne Camp to deal direct with this office, may be amended.

2. We deal either with your Headquarters, or with the PWDP Documentation Officer at Fallingbostel on matters regarding the documentation of D.Ps.

Any other arrangement will merely cause confusion.

R.S. Sawyer

for Director
ENTRIES AND EXITS BRANCH

RS/MU

Copy to: O.C. 45/83 D.P.A.C.S.
CCG (BE), HOHNE.

Zonal Documentation Officer,
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Sgt Mrs Blanchard

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To:- PW & DP Division
Zonal Executive Offices
C.C.G. LEMGO
66 H.Q., C.C.G. (BE)
B.A.O.R. 15

26 November 1948

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CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION
30 NOV 1948

Subject:- Operation 'Journey's End'

Ref PWDP/0150/11/Sec(L) dated 16 Nov 48.

1. There are some 250 Jews in Schleswig-Holstein of which 230 are at NEUSTADT.

2. A proportion of these will undoubtedly fall into the category catered for by operation 'Journey's End'.

3. Will you please advise as to the method of selection.

Either the board from HOHNE can visit NEUSTADT, or what is perhaps preferable. Suitable emigrants can be sent to HOHNE.

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28 NOV 1948

GR 41 NO 3713 BASIC 27 TH NOVEMBER 1948 UNCLASSIFIED . ADDRESSEE TO BERLIN TELEGRAM NO 3713 BASIC OF 27 TH NOVEMBER 1948 , REPEATED FOR INFORMATION TO LUBBECKE AND LEMGO . TELEGRAM NO 3492 BASIC TO BERLIN DATED 26 TH NOVEMBER . PLEASE AMEND BASIC NO TO READ 3692.

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CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
OF WAR & SECURITY
27 NOV 1948
DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION

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FROM:- FOREIGN OFFICE (GERMAN SECTION) DTO 261950
TO:- BERCOMB BERLIN
INFO:- CONCOMB LUBBECKE = LEMGO PWDP (LUBBECKE AND LEMGO
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NO 3692 BASIC 26TH NOV 1948. CONFIDENTIAL. ADDRESSED TO BERLIN TELEGRAM NO 3492 BASIC OF THE 26TH NOVEMBER 1948 REPEATED FOR INFORMATION TO LUBBECKE AND LEMGO. WE HAVE JUST SEEN PWDP DIVISION'S TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION NO 32 OF THE 16TH NOVEMBER ABOUT THE EMIGRATING OF JEWS TO XX PALESTINE AND ARE RATHER PERTURBED BY THE EXTENT TO WHICH CCG ARE INVOLVED IN THE ACTUAL MOVEMENT OF THESE JEWS.

2. WHEN OUR LETTER WR 2926/172/48 OF THE 24TH SEPTEMBER WAS WRITTEN WE WERE UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT THE JEWISH SOCIETES WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ENTIRE MOVEMENT AND THAT CCG'S ROLE WOULD BE CONFIEND TO ISSUING EXIT PERMITS TO JEWS OTHER THAN MEN X OF MILITARY AGE. THE RECENT INSTRUCTION IS ALREAD BEING QUOTED BY JEWISH SOURCES IN SUPPORT OF THEIR THESIS THAT IRO SHOULD PARTICIPATE NOW IN RESETTLEMENT IN PALESTINE AND THAT IT SHOULD ALSO FOOT THE BILL.

3. WE SHOULD THEREOFRE BE GLAD IF THE INSTRUCTION WERE AMENDED ESPECIALLY IN RESPECT OF PARAGRPH 4B SO THAT IT IS MADE CLEAR THAT WE ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE XXXXXXXXX ORGANISATION OF THIS MOVEMENT.

4. INCIDENTALLY THE WORDS QUOTE ISRAELI CONSUL UNQUOTE SHOULD NOT APPEAR ON AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT.

5. JEWISH CIRCLES IN PARIS ALLEGE THAT ONLY UNMARRIED JEWS OF MILITARY AGE ARE BANNED FROM LEAVING OUR ZONE FOR PALESTINE WHEREAS IN CYPRUS JEWS OF MILITARY AGE CANNOT LEAVE WHATEVER THEIR MARITAL STATUS. CAN WE CONFIDENTLY DENY THIS STATEMENT.

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Tele. No. HOHNE Civil 600 45/135/10/G

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Subject: - Operation "JOURNEY's END".

To: - Miss Evelyn MITZMAN
Jewish Relief Unit 110
HOHNE Camp, BAOR 23

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION
25 NOV 1948

1. This letter authorises you, as a member of the Selection Board for Operation "JOURNEY's END", to make direct approach to the Zonal Documentation Officer, FALLINGBOSTEL, and to Entries & Exits Branch, BAD SALZUFLEN, on any matter affecting documentation in connection with the Operation.

2. You will only make direct approach to BAD SALZUFLEN with the knowledge and consent of the Zonal Documentation Officer.

HOHNE
23 Nov 1948

Commander, 45/83 D.P.A.C.S. CCG (BE)
(A.C. CLARKE)

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Entries & Exits Branch
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Zonal Documentation Officer
c/o 9 DPACS CCG (BE)
FALLINGBOSTEL
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מדינת ישראל
הנציג בגרמניה
STATE of ISRAEL
Representative in Germany

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22nd November, 1948.
Munich ..... מינכן

To: Control Commission for Germany
PW/DP Division
Attention : Mr. K.W. Matthews
L e m g o.

From : Dr. Chaim Hoffman
Consul of Israel,
Munich.

Sir,

I am in receipt of your technical instruction No. 32 re Operation "Journey's End" and I want to make the following comments.

ad para 3, sect. (a) 1) it has been understood that any Jewish displaced persons or refugees in the British Zone of Germany who under IRO-Charter are eligible for IRO assistance for resetllement will be eligible for emigration under the scheme, regardless whether they are eligible for IRO care and maintenance or not. No distinction between registered displaced persons and infiltrees should, therefore, be made, once the eligibility for IRO assistance has been established.

I would be grateful if single cases of German Jews, to whom visas to Israel have been granted in order to join their families there, could be processed in the same way, in order to spare these people undue hardships.

ad para 3, section (a) 2) it was understood that theBoard will serve as coordinating committee in order to secure that people selected for emigration meet the requirements for eligibility to get an immigration visa to Israel as well as the requirements for getting an exit permit. According to an agreement between the Israeli Government and the Jewish Agency for Palestine immigrants to Israel are selected either by the Ministry for Immigration upon request of their close relatives residing in Israel or by the Israeli Consuls upon proposal by the Jewish Agency for Palestine. In view of this regulation it is suggested that the representative of JAFP on the Board will have to state the eligibility of any DP for immigration to Israel, whereas the representative of PW & DP Division will have to state his eligibility for exit from the British Zone under the terms of the operation. Representatives of any other organisations, however welcome their cooperation, may therefore not be granted a decisive vote on selection of emigrants.

I am, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
Dr. Chaim Hoffman
Consul of Israel

Copy: JAFP Belsen.

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From: - Mr. A.C. CLARKE 45/83 D.P.A.C.S.
BAOR 23.

Tele: - Hohne (Civil) 600.

Ref.: - G 135/10

22 November 1948.

Dear Jimmy

Thank you for your PWDP/0150/11/Sec (L) of 18th November.

I am told by Barbara Tenenbaum, who is acting for JAFP, that Dr. Hoffmann's representative will be a Palestinian named J. BORUCHI. He will have authority to sign Israeli Visas, and will also represent JAFP on the Selection Board. He will arrive at the end of this week.

I hope to be able to forward impressions of the Israeli Stamps etc at the end of the week, and at the same time I shall send copies of my own signature for distribution.

Yours ever

Alan Clarke

Mr. J.E. JAMES
HQ PW/DP Division
Zonal Executive Offices
L E M G O
66 HQ CCG (BE)
BAOR 15

CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & 23 NOV 1948 DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION FOR GERMANY

Tele. No. HOHNE CIVIL 600 45/135/10 G.

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Subject: - Operation "JOURNEY's END".

To: - Jewish Relief Unit 110, HOHNE.
Jewish Agency for Palestine, HOHNE.
Chairman, Hohne Camp Committee.

1. A copy of PWDP Division Technical Instruction No.32, relative to operation JOURNEY's END, is already in your possession.

2. The Selection Board will comprise: -

Mr. A.C. CLARKE (Chairman) PW/DP Div, CCG (BE)
Mr. J. ROSENSAFT, representing Jewish DPs
Miss E. MITZMANN, representing Jewish Relief Unit
Representative of Jewish Agency for Palestine
Representative of PC/IRO Eligibility Dept (Watching Brief).

3. The Selection Board will sit whenever necessary, and the first meeting will be held as soon as a nominal roll of applicants is made available by J.A.F.P.

4. Documentation for Exit Permits will be carried out under the supervision of Miss E. MITZMANN, J.R.U.

HOHNE
19 Nov 1948

Commander, 45/83 D.P.A.C.S. CCG (BE)
(A.C. CLARKE)

Copies to: - PW/DP Division
66 HQ LEMGO.

PW/DP Branch
Land Niedersachsen
229 HQ CCG (BE)
HANNOVER.

Relief Detachment Celle,
206 HQ CCG (BE).

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Note of Action:

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1000 Forms C.T.B. 101 sent to HOLME per J.R.U.

J.E.J.

22.11.48

Tel. LEMGO 603

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H.Q. PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
CCG LEMGO,
66 H.Q., C.C.G., BAOR 15.

23 November, 1948.

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To: H.Q. Entries & Exits Branch,
100 H.Q., C.C.G.,
BAD SALZUFLEN, BAOR 15.

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Subject: Emigration of Jewish D.Ps to PALESTINE
Operation "JOURNEY'S END"

Reference PWDP/0150/11/Sec(L) dated 19th November, 1948.

1. We are advised that Mr. J. BORUCHI of the Jewish Agency for Palestine has been appointed by Dr. Chaim HOFFMANN to act as his representative in connection with the issue of Entry Visas into PALESTINE. It is anticipated that Mr. BORUCHI will arrive at HOHNE D.P. Camp at the end of this week.

2. The necessary impressions of the Consular & Entry Visa stamps will be forwarded as soon as possible.

J. E. JAMES
for Chief, PW & DP Division.

Copy to: PWDP Branch, H.Q. Mil. Gov. Land Niedersachsen

O.C. No. 45 DPACOS, HOHNE CAMP, BAOR 23.
(Telecon. CLARKE/JAMES 22.11.48 refers).

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Tel: LEMGO 603

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec(L)

HQ PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
C.C.G. LEMGO,
66 H.Q. C.C.G.
B.A.O.R. 15.

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22 November, 1948.

To: O.C. No. 45 DPACCS,
Hotne,
BAOR 23.

SUBJECT: Payment for Exit Permits
Operation "JOURNEYS END"

Reference telecon CLARKE/JAMES of 19th November, 1945.

1. Entries & Exits Branch have confirmed that Exit Permits may be issued free of charge to DPs. who can show reasonable proof that they are unable to pay.

2. Such persons will be interviewed by yourself and after you are satisfied that their case is bona fide you may sign a certificate to that effect.

3. We have been requested by Entries & Exits Branch to ensure that the greatest care will be taken when granting this dispensation, as concessions of this kind are open to serious abuse.

J.E.JAMES,
for Chief, PW & DP Division.

Copy to: PWDP Branch,
HQ Mil Gov.
Land Niedersachsen.

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Tel: LEMGO 603

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec(L)

HQ. PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
LEMGO,
66 HQ. ; OCG., (BE),
B.A.O.R. 15.

19, November, 1948.

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To: Distribution as Below.

Subject: Emigration of Jewish Displaced Persons to PALESTINE - Operation "JOURNEY'S END".

Reference PWDP/0150/11/Sec(L) dated 16 November, 1948.

1. The following amendment will be made to the Documentation Instruction forwarded under cover of the aforementioned letter:-

Insert the following sentence at the end of Paragraph 2.

'All copies of the Nominal Roll will be certified by the Chairman of the Board referred to in Paragraph 3(a)(ii) of Technical Instruction No.32".

J.E. JAMES.
for Chief, PW & DP Division.

Distribution

PW & DP Branch, HQ., Land Niedersachsen. (2)

O.C. No. 206 (R) Det., Celle, B.A.O.R.23 (2)

O.C. No. 45 DPACCS, Hohne, B.A.O.R.23 (4)

Entries & Exits Branch, Bad Salzuflen.
(Attention Mr. Marchant). (3)

Intelligence Division, Herford. (2)

Zonal Documentation Officer (PW & DP Division), (2)
No.9./68/72/107 DPACCS, Fallingbostel, B.A.O.R.

Jewish Relief Unit, No.81 HQ. Eilshausen, B.A.O.R. (3)

American Joint Distribution Committee, (1)
c/o O.C. 45 DPACCS, Hohne, B.A.O.R.

Jewish Agency for Palestine,
c/o O.C. 45 DPACCS, Hohne, B.A.O.R. (1)

Dr. Chaim Hoffmann, ISRAELI CONSUL, U.S. Zone of Germany. (2)
A.P.O., 407, MUNICH, U.S. Zone.

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Tel: LEMGO 603

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec(L)

HQ. PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
LEMGO,
66 HQ., CCG., (BE),
B.A.O.R. 15.

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19 November, 1948.

To: HQ. Entries & Exits Branch,
Intelligence Division,
Bad Selzuflen,
100 HQ., CCG., (BE),
B.A.O.R. 15.

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Subject: Emigration of JEWISH D.P's to PALESTINE.
Operation "JOURNEYS END".

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Reference your HQ.EE/4018/4 dated 17 November, 1948.

1. Instructions have been issued in accordance with paragraphs 2 and 3 of your letter of the above reference dated 3 November. These instructions were forwarded to your Headquarters under cover of our letter of even reference dated 16 November, 1948. We will issue a further instruction relative to the signing of the nominal rolls by the Chairman of the Selection Board.

2. The name of the person authorised to grant Entry Visas into Palestine will be forwarded to you together with the impressions of the Visa and Consular stamps as soon as they come to hand.

J. E. JAMES.
for Chief, PW & DP Division.

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CENTRAL COMMITTEE
OF LIBERATED JEWS IN THE BRITISH ZONE
GERMANY — BERGEN-BELSEN
45 D[illegible] A.C.S. HOHNE BELSEN-CAMP
Phone: 755, 351, 165, 547, 376.

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Bergen-Belsen 17th November 1948

To: Mr. K.W.Matthews,
D/Chief PW/DP Division,
66 HQ PW/DP CCG (BE),
LEMGO. BAOR 15.

From: Mrs. H.Rosensaft,
Central Jewish Committee,
Hohne-Belsen.

Re: EMIGRATION OF JEWISH DPs TO PALESTINE.

I talked to Mr.Rosensaft over the telephone today regarding the copy of "Notes on a Conference on the Emigration of Jewish DPs to Palestine held at HQ PW/DP Division on Monday, 8th November, 1948". He advised me that he queries the remarks in Clause "3" of these notes.

Mr.Rosensaft will be returning from Paris next week, and hopes to discuss this matter with you at that time.

H.Rosensaft

Hadassah Rosensaft.

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From
Telephone 2666
Your Reference
Our Reference HQ/EE/4018/4

HQ Entries and Exits Branch,
Intelligence Division,
CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
100 HQ CCG (BRITISH ELEMENT),
Bad Salzuflen, BAOR. 15.

17th November, 1948.

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION
18 NOV 1948

To: PW & DP Division,
66 HQ CCG (BE)
Lemgo, BAOR.

Subject: Jewish D.P's to Palestine.

1. Reference the Minutes of the meeting held at your Headquarters on 8th November regarding the above.

Confirmation is requested that the drill laid down in paras. 2 and 3 of this office letter of even reference dated 3 November 48 will be adopted.

We would once again stress the importance of a steady flow of applications reaching this office. May this please be impressed on those concerned.

2. With regard to para. 2 (c) (ii) and (iii) of the Minutes,

(a) It is assumed that the nominal rolls which will be submitted to this office will be certified by the PW & DP representative on the Selection Board. We attach considerable importance to this.

May this be confirmed please.

(b) We would like to know as soon as possible who is authorised in the British Zone to grant Entry visas to Palestine.

It would be appreciated if six impressions of the entry visa stamp, and also of the "Consular" office stamp could be forwarded to this office.

R.S. Staveley.

for Director,
Entries and Exits Branch

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From: Mr. J. E. James

Tel: LEMGO 603

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec.(L)

HQ. PW & DP Division, 22A
Zonal Executive Offices,
LEMGO,
66, HQ. CCG, 113
BAOR.15.

18 November, 1948.

Dear C.,

I should be glad if you will let me know, as soon as you hear, the name of the J.A.F.P. representative who is selected by Mr. Hoffman for the duty laid down in Technical Instruction No.32. as we shall have to put Entries & Exits in the picture.

I think the job is now quite well under way, but if you run up against any snags do not hesitate to ask us, and if necessary, come over and see us. The Deputy Chief will be only too glad to see you and give you all the help he can.

Major Alan Clarke,
O.C. No.45. DPACCS,
HOHNE,
BAOR.

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Tel: LEMGO 603

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec(L)

H.Q. P.W. & D.P. Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
C.C.G. LEMGO,
66 H.Q. C.C.G.,
B.A.O.R. 15

16 November, 1948

To: Distribution as below

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Subject: Emigration of Jewish Displaced Persons to Palestine
Operation "Journey's End"

P.W. & D.P. Division Technical Instruction No.32 relative to the above operation is forwarded herewith for information and action where necessary.

Cancelled
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J. E. JAMES
for Chief, P.W. & D.P. Division

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LONDON
Foreign Office, Refugee Department (Attention Mr. Wilkinson) (2) ✓

BERLIN
Displaced Persons Branch, Political Division (2) ✓
Combined Repatriation Executive (1) ✓

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Secretariat, Lubbecke (2) ✓
Entries & Exits Branch, Bad Salzuflen (6) ✓
Public Safety Branch, Bunde (2) ✓
Intelligence Division, Herford (2) ✓
Combined Travel Board, Bad Rothenfelde (2) ✓

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Transport Division (Mov) Bad Oeynhausen (3) ✓

REGIONS
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PWDP Branch, Land North Rhine/Westphalia (1) ✓
PWDP Branch, Land Schleswig-Holstein (1) ✓
PWDP Branch, Hansestadt Hamburg (1) ✓
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O. C. No. 45 DPACCS HOHNE, BAOR (4) ✓
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Jewish Agency for Palestine, c/o O.C. 45 DPACCS, HOHNE, BAOR (1) ✓ (2)

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400 H.Q. LEMGO, BAOR 15 (1) ✓

MUNICH
Dr. Chaim HOFFMANN, ISRAELI CONSUL, U.S. Zone of Germany,
A.P.O. 407, MUNICH, U.S. Zone (3)

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CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (BRITISH ELEMENT)

PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION

TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION No. 32

EMIGRATION OF JEWISH DISPLACED PERSONS TO PALESTINE

OPERATION "JOURNEY'S END".

1. INTRODUCTION

FOREIGN OFFICE have approved the resumption of legal Emigration from the BRITISH ZONE of GERMANY to PALESTINE of JEWISH DISPLACED PERSONS, not of Military age, and have stated that the issue of Exit Permits to holders of ISRAELI Visas for this purpose is now permitted.

2. INTENTION

To lay down the method of selection and movement of Displaced Persons eligible for emigration to PALESTINE.

3. METHOD

(a) Selection

(i) All bona fide REGISTERED JEWISH DISPLACED PERSONS in the BRITISH ZONE of GERMANY will be eligible for emigration to PALESTINE, with the exception of MALE JEWISH DISPLACED PERSONS who are medically fit for Military Service and are between the ages of 18 years and 45 years inclusive.

(ii) A Board located at HOHNE D.P. ASSEMBLY CENTRE and consisting of representatives of PW & DP DIVISION (Chairman), THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE AND THE JEWISH RELIEF UNIT, will co-ordinate all matters affecting the selection of emigrants. They will make arrangements for the documentation and application for EXIT PERMITS and ENTRY VISAS with the appropriate authorities. Detailed instructions prepared in conjunction with Entries and Exits Branch will be issued by HQ. PW & DP Division.

(b) Exit Permit Documentation and Issue of Entry Visas

The following procedure will, invariably, be adopted regarding the issue of EXIT PERMITS :-

(i) All applications will be forwarded by the Board (see para 3 (a) (ii) to the ZONAL DOCUMENTATION OFFICER (PW & DP DIVISION) c/o Regional Resettlement Processing Centre, FALLINGBOSTEL. These applications will be supported by a nominal roll of applicants duly certified as being eligible for Entry Visas into Palestine.

(ii) After documentation procedure has been completed, the Zonal Documentation Officer (PW & DP Division) will inform the Board regarding the total charge in Deutsche Mark, and the EXIT PERMITS will be collected from ENTRIES & EXITS BRANCH, BAD SALZUFLEN. Payment will be made at the time of receipt of the documents. The responsibility for providing Deutsche Mark funds will rest with the Jewish Authorities.

(iii) Arrangements for the taking of identity photographs will be made by the JEWISH WELFARE SOCIETIES at HOHNE D.P. Assembly Centre.

(iv) THE JEWISH AUTHORITIES will arrange for the issue of VISAS for entry into PALESTINE.

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(v) THE JEWISH AUTHORITIES will be responsible for negotiation with the FRENCH AUTHORITIES regarding the issue of VISAS for the rail journey through FRANCE.

4. MOVEMENT TO THE PORT OF EMBARKATION

(a) HOHNE DISPLACED PERSON'S ASSEMBLY CENTRE will be used as the Collecting Centre and Transit Camp for all emigrants under this Operation.

(b) HQ. PW & DP Division, in conjunction with Transport Division (Mov) HQ. B.A.O.R., will be responsible for the movement ~~through~~ to FORBACH GERMANY ~~and FRANCE to the Port of Embarkation at MARSEILLES~~. The ~~financial cost of the~~ movement outside the Zones of GERMANY will ~~be borne by~~ the Jewish Authorities.

French Zone of responsibility will end with

(c) HQ PW & DP Division will inform Intelligence Division, Entries and Exits Branch, Frontier Control and Transport Division (HQ BAOR) of the times of all moves from HOHNE D.P. Assembly Centre to the port of embarkation. This information will include the times trains are due to cross Zonal and International borders.

(d) Frontier Control and Security Checks

Arrangements for the check of emigrants' baggage at HOHNE by the Frontier Control Service will be made by PW & DP Branch, Land NIEDERSACHSEN. All baggage may be opened for control and security checks in the presence of the owners after which it will be sealed by the Frontier Control Service.

(e) Train Conducting Officials

PW & DP Branch, Land NIEDERSACHSEN, in conjunction with HQ PW & DP Division, will detail ONE official who will be in charge of each party from the time of entraining at HOHNE (Railway Station: BERGEN) until arrival at the Port of Embarkation. The Train Conducting Officer (T.C.O.) will arrive at HOHNE at least two days before the departure of each party, and make himself familiar with all arrangements for the welfare and movement of the emigrants. Before entraining, he will check all emigrants from the nominal rolls and documents in his possession, and ensure that none other than selected emigrants are on the train. He will be instructed to retain all Exit Permits and documents with Visas, and hand them on arrival at the Port of Embarkation to an official appointed by the ISRAELI CONSUL to the U.S. Zone of Germany. Full administrative details for the guidance of T.C.O's will be issued by PW & DP Branch, Land NIEDERSACHSEN.

(f) Issue of Rations

O.C. No. 45 DPACCS will be responsible for issuing rations and, in conjunction with the Jewish Voluntary Societies, amenities for the rail journey.

(g) Welfare

The Jewish Voluntary Societies will give assistance and advise on matters affecting the general welfare of the D.Ps during the rail journey.

5. STATISTICS

O.C. No. 45 DPACCS will be responsible for making returns of persons emigrated under this Operation.

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6. NOMENCLATURE

The code name of this Operation will be "JOURNEY'S END".

7. DATE OF COMMENCEMENT

The first movement under this Operation is being planned to start on or about 15th December 1948.

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Tel: LEMGO 603

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec.(L)

HQ. PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
LEMGO,
66, HQ. CCG,
BAOR.15.

16 November, 1948.

To: Distribution as Below

Subject: Emigration of Jewish Displaced Persons to PALESTINE - Operation "Journey's end".

The attached Documentation Instruction issued relative to paragraph 3 (a) (ii) of Technical Instruction No. 32, is forwarded for information and action where necessary.

J. E. JAMES.
for Chief, PW & DP Division.

Distribution

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PRISONERS OF WAR AND DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION

OPERATION "JOURNEY'S END"

DOCUMENTATION

1. Individual Temporary Travel Documents will be issued by Entries and Exits Branch at BAD SALZUFLEN.

2. The names of all selected candidates will be listed on nominal rolls which will bear the following certification signed by the ISRAELI CONSUL for the U.S. Zone of Germany or his appointed representative :-

> "All persons listed on this nominal roll have been nominated for emigration to PALESTINE, and entry visas will be issued subject to the individual's ability to comply with existing Immigration Regulations."

Nominal rolls will be prepared in sufficient numbers to allow of the following distribution :-

(a) Intelligence Division - 2 copies

(b) Entries & Exits Branch - 2 copies.

3. Two copies of Form CTB 101 (Application for Temporary Travel Document) will be completed by each selected applicant and attached to the IRO Form C/M/1/A (Refugee/Displaced Person Statistical Card), together with two passport photographs.

N.B. Form CTB 101 will be completed by each ADULT applicant, the particulars of children, if any, under sixteen years of age being noted on the copy completed by the Father. One Temporary Travel Document will be issued to the Father, Mother and children for the single charge of DM 20.

The applicant's D.P. Registration/Identity Card will be stamped "EMIGRATED".

4. ALL the nominal rolls and Application Forms mentioned in paragraphs 2 and 3 above will be forwarded to the Zonal Documentation Officer (PW & DP Division) at the Regional Resettlement Processing Centre, FALLINGBOSTEL, who will complete documentation procedure and arrange with Entries & Exits Branch, BAD SALZUFLEN, to prepare Temporary Travel Documents.

5. The Zonal Documentation Officer, on receiving advice from Entries and Exits Branch will :-

(a) Inform O.C. 45 DPACCS HOHNE (Tel.No. HOHNE (Civil) 600) of the amount due in respect of charges for preparation of documents.

(b) Issue the appointed Jewish Voluntary Society representative with a signed authority to collect the Temporary Travel Documents.

6. Temporary Travel Documents will be collected by the appointed Jewish Voluntary Society representative from Entries & Exits Branch, BAD SALZUFLEN. Payment for the charges due will be made at the same time as the documents are received.

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Copies for PWDP/0170/Sec (L)
PWDP/0150/6/Sec (L)

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R. 22/11

Date : 16 November, 1948

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"All copies of the Nominal Rolls will be certified by the Chairman of the Board referred to in Paragraph 3(a)(ii) of Technical Instruction No. 32"

MEMO

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SUBJECT: Emigration of Jews to Palestine
operation "Journey's End"

During my visit to HOHNE on 15th November, 1948 the following points were raised by the DPACOS Commander :-

(a) Rations for Rail Journey to MARSEILLES

The train journey is timed to take approximately 48 hours. Some of the rail movements under Operation "Grand National" took over 3 days owing to unavoidable delays, thereby causing some suffering on the part of the DPs. It has been requested that 4 (four) days rations may be issued. The D/Chief feels that this request is reasonable especially having regard to the fact that the operation will be starting in mid-December and it can be anticipated that the weather will be severe at that time. Could you arrange this please?

(b) IRO Amenities for Rail Journey

When BOCHOLT was used as the official transit camp for "Grand National" each adult DP was allowed 100 Amenity cigarettes for the journey. For the last two journeys HOHNE was used for transit purposes but as it was not an official "transit camp" the cigarettes were not allowed. HOHNE is now the TRANSIT CAMP for this operation and it is requested that Amenity cigarettes may be issued please.

J.E.JAMES,
Secretariat.

To: SCO 'Q' Section

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec(L)

Date: 16 November, 1948

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Tel: LEMGO 603

Ref: PWDP/0150/11/Sec (L)

HQ PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
66 HQ. C.C.G.,
LEMGO,
B.A.O.R. 15.

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To : PW & DP Branch,
Land Niedersachsen,
229 HQ. C.C.G.,
B.A.O.R. 5.

16 November, 1948

Subject : Operation 'Journey's End'

Reference conversation JAMES/OSBORNE/CLARKE of 15th November, 1948.

1. The following Rail Warrants will be issued for the movement from BERGEN-BELSEN to MARSEILLES in connection with the above operation :-

(a) BERGEN-BELSEN to FORBACH. PWDP Division (CCG(BE))

(b) FORBACH to MARSEILLES. Jewish Agency for Palestine.

J. E. JAMES
for Chief, PW & DP Division

JEJ/PLB

Holme: 15.12.48.

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Movement

Normal Train: 8 Coaches (75 pass. each)
Goodes 1 Kitchen Car
1 T.C.O. Coach
11 Box Vans (100 – 150 tons according to type of goods)

No. of pass. & approx. load required.
Plan: Either normal pass. train or Pass. Train & Goods Train.

Selection

Medical fitness - Clarke to decide on procedure according to circs.

Documentation.

Technical Instruction
Notes for Doc. personnel.

Lay out of Doc. Offices personnel engaged:

Lay out of Sheds for luggage for Frontier Control Checks.

Screening by I Ro.

Progress to date.

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HQ ENTRIES AND EXITS BRANCH,
INTELLIGENCE DIVISION,

HQ/EE/4018/4:

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION
5 NOV 1948

100 HQ CCG
BAD SALZUFLEN,
B.A.O.R. 15.

3rd November, 1948.

To: PW & DP Division (2),
66 HQ CCG (BE),
LEMGO, B.A.O.R. 15.

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SUBJECT: JEWISH D.Ps to PALESTINE.

1. Reference the Meeting held on 1st November 1948 at your Headquarters to consider the emigration of Jewish D.Ps to Palestine, the detailed drill regarding documentation is given below.

It is requested that all concerned may be informed, in order that the procedure may work smoothly.

2. (a) Individual Temporary Travel Documents will be issued by this Branch at Bad Salzuflen.

(b) Individuals who have been successful at the Selection Board will be listed.

The names of those whom it is proposed to move will be entered on nominal rolls; two copies of these and one copy of CTB 101 will be forwarded to Intelligence Division.

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(c) This office will expect to receive from the Documentation Centre, Fallingbostel, two copies of the nominal roll.

Form CTB 101, two Passport photographs and the D.P.2 card for each individual on the nominal roll.

(d) On receipt of clearance from Intelligence Division, this office will issue the Temporary Travel Documents to the documentation centre at Fallingbostel.

3. It is necessary for each nominal roll to be certified as under:-

"All persons listed on the attached nominal rolls have been nominated for emigration to Palestine and entry visas will be issued subject to individual's ability to comply with existing Immigration Regulations."

The official who will be empowered to certify is a matter for decision later.

Authorisation from ZDO(FE) is awaited.

4. Payment at DM 20 for each Travel Document (with Exit Permit) is required.

It would simplify accounting if the cash could accompany the applications. In the case of refusals of Permits, the money could either be credited against the next batch, or returned to Fallingbostel as convenient.

5. It is understood that the question of eligibility under this scheme has still to be decided.

It is essential for the smooth working of the scheme, that those selected for entry to Palestine, should also be eligible to leave Germany. If this is not done, delays will occur while enquiries are made by this office.

It would, therefore, appear to be most desirable that the Chairman of the Selection Committee should be an official of P.W. & D.P. Division.

R S Hawley

for Director
ENTRIES AND EXITS BRANCH

RS/MU

Copy to: HQ Intelligence Division,
S3 Section,
70 HQ COG (ME),
HEREFORD, B.A.O.R. 15.

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NOTES ON A CONFERENCE ON THE EMIGRATION OF JEWISH DPs. TO PALESTINE HELD AT HQ, PW & DP DIVISION, on MONDAY 8th NOVEMBER, 1948.

Present:

MR. K. W. MATTHEWS	D/Chief, PW & DP Division.
MR. J. E. JAMES	Sect. HQ, PW & DP Division.
MR. A. CLARKE	O.C. 45 DPACS. PW & DP Division
MR. F. B. BUCKINGHAM	Re-establishment Division, I.R.O.
DR. CHAIM HOFFMANN	Consul to Israel Government, U.S. Zone/Germany
MR. J. ROSENSAFT	Hohne Jewish Committee
MR. EGON FINCK	American Joint Distribution Committee.

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1. The Chairman stated that the meeting was being held to obtain the views of DR. CHAIM HOFFMANN on various points left outstanding at the previous meeting.

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2. (a) ELIGIBILITY FOR ENTRY INTO PALESTINE

After explaining the position generally regarding Jewish emigration, DR. HOFFMAN stated that very few, if any, restrictions were placed on JEWS wishing to emigrate to PALESTINE, and the number of JEWS who would be permitted to enter PALESTINE from the British Zone would be limited only by regulations on the issue of Exit Permits by the British Authorities.

MR MATTHEWS stated that males between 18 and 45 years who were found physically fit for military service would be excluded, and that only REGISTERED DISPLACED PERSONS would be eligible for movement under this scheme. I.R.O. had promised, with the co-operation of MR. ROSENSAFT, to interview outstanding unregistered cases with all possible speed. It was requested that an IRO official should be attached to the camp until all these cases had been cleared. MR. BUCKINGHAM promised to make every effort to arrange this with the appropriate branch of IRO. MR.ROSENSAFT MR. BUCKINGHAM.

(b) SELECTION OF CANDIDATES

It was agreed that a Board comprising representatives of PW & DP Division, J.R.U. and J.A.F.P. would co-operate in the work of selecting eligible applicants and taking the initial action in documentation. J.R.U. J.A.F.P.

MR. ALAN CLARKE would represent PW & DP Division and the other authorities concerned would submit the name of their representatives at an early date. The Board would be located at HOHNE Assembly Centre. It was reported that J.R.U. have available three fully trained personnel who could supervise this work.

(c) ISSUE OF EXIT PERMITS & ENTRY VISAS

DR. HOFFMANN AGREED:

(i) To approach the French Consul and obtain the requisite visas for the passage through FRANCE DR.HOFFMANN

(ii) To certify lists of Jewish DPs who were eligible for admittance to PALESTINE in order that Entries & Exits Branch could prepare the necessary Exit Permits, and "

(iii) That he could send a representative to the British Zone to issue Entry Visas on his behalf. MR. MATTHEWS stated he would submit this proposal to higher authority for a ruling.

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(c) Continued.

It was confirmed that a charge of DM.20 per Exit Permit would be levied; this amount would be paid at the time of collection of the exit document. MR. MATTHEWS said he appreciated the difficulty of finding the money to cover such charges, but that the British Authorities could not give any help. Every effort was being made to obtain the release of the HOHNE Camp Funds blocked with the Allied Banks Commission, in order that the money could be utilised by the Hohne Jewish Committee for the purpose of meeting these costs, if necessary. PW & DP DIVISION

(d) MOVEMENT

In reply to a question by DR.HOFFMANN, the meeting was informed that the financial cost of the journey outside the British Zone would be borne by the Jewish Authorities.

DR. HOFFMANN stated that up to 1500 emigrants per month could be accepted at Marseilles. It was thought that the scheme might commence with the movement of 500 during December, increasing to 1,000 in January and succeeding months. He also stated that it might be found possible to move fairly substantial numbers by air from MUNICH, but plans had not yet been completed.

3. PROPOSED MOVE TO ITALY

MR. BUCKINGHAM outlined a plan by IRO to move all the Jewish DPs in HOHNE to a camp in ITALY, and asked for comments by the Jewish representatives present.

MR. ROSENSAFT registered his disapproval of such a plan and stated that there could be no grounds for it at a time when the scheme for the movement of DPs direct to PALESTINE was about to be put into operation.

It was agreed that every possible effort should be made to move as large a number as possible within the shortest possible time, but that if the movement from HOHNE was slow, PW & DP Division might have to press the move to ITALY, as HOHNE camp was required for a project of the highest priority.

DISTRIBUTION (EXTERNAL)

PWDP Branch, Land Niedersachsen (Attn. Mr. R. F. Weeks)
206 R. Det., CELLE.
45 DPACS HOHNE
Entries & Exits Branch, BAD SALZUFLEN
400 HQ. IRO.(3)
American Joint Distribution Committee c/o. 45 DPACS. HOHNE.
Jewish Agency for Palestine, c/o. 45 DPACS, HOHNE.
Jewish Relief Unit, Eilshausen.
Dr. CHAIM HOFFMANN, Israeli Consul, Munich APO 407, U.S.Zone of Germany (3)
MR. J. ROSENSAFT, c/o. 45 DPACCS, HOHNE.

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Kirchbrucke

Date: ~~12~~ 11 Nov.48.

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Documentation Procedure - Jews to Palestine.

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1. Reference "Notes on a conference on the Emigration of Jewish D.P's to Palestine held at H.Q. PW & DP Division, Monday 1 November, 1948" paras (d) and (e)

2. In principle it has been the policy until now to process all Mass Resettlement through FALLINGBOSTEL and all Individual Resettlement through BUCHOLZ. One of the main factors governing this policy is that all mass Resettlement schemes are documented "GRATIS", whereas Individual Schemes are documented on repayment.

3. In the case of this particular scheme, in order to meet the wishes of Entries & Exits Branch, documentation through FALLINGBOSTEL has been agreed.

4. In order, however, to avoid asking ZDO Fallingbostel to be responsible for the collection of payment for Travel Documents, the following procedure has been agreed with H.Q. Entries & Exits Branch, Bad Salzuflen.

(a) When Travel Documents are ready for collection, Entries & Exits Bad Salzuflen will inform ZDO Fallingbostel stating sum of Deutsche Mark required.

(b) ZDO Fallingbostel will, in turn, inform JAFP who will then send a representative to collect the documents personally on repayment from Bad Salzuflen.

5. It is requested that this procedure be incorporated into any instruction which may be issued on the above mentioned scheme.

A. BLACKBURN
Emp/Resett.

Ref: PWDP/2138/EMP

Date: 5 November 1948

To:
C.O. I Secretariat.

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CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION FOR GERMANY 5 NOV 1948

HQ RELIEF DETACHMENT CELLE
206 HQ CCG (BE) B.A.O.R. 23

To:- PW/DP Division
L E M G O

1 Nov 48

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Subject:- Conference at LEMGO on the future Emigration of Jews.

Your CCG/75715/Sec (L) dated 29 Oct 48, received under 229 HQ CCG (BE) CIPHER MESSAGE D/343 on 31 Oct at 1300 hrs.

I regret that this message which was received here at 1300 hrs on Sunday 31 Oct 48 was misread by the recipient and the invitation to attend the conference on the future emigration of Jews from the British Zone to Palestine was only given to Mr. ROSENSAFT, the AJDC and the JAFP.

The message was telephoned to Mr. CLARKE, Comd. 45 DPACS, but he was not told to attend the conference also.

I suggest that in matters of this importance it would be wise in future to allow more time for the message to arrive at its destination. It is very difficult on a Sunday afternoon to be certain that an important message is dealt with efficiently as it is probably handled by someone who is not fully aware of the circumstances.

B.T. Wilson.

CELLE
BTW/GH

Comd. 206 Relief Detachment
(B.T. WILSON, CO I)

Copy to:- PW/DP Branch
229 HQ CCG (BE) BAOR

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NOTES ON A CONFERENCE ON THE EMIGRATION OF JEWISH DPs TO PALESTINE, HELD AT HQ, PW & DP DIVISION, MONDAY 1st NOVEMBER, 1948.

Present:-

Mr. K.W.Matthews	D/Chief, PW & DP Division,
Col. R.G.R.Thompson OBE (Retd).	Sect. HQ, PW & DP Division
Mr. J.E.James	Sect. " "
Mr. S.Ault D.F.C.	Sect. " "
Mr. G.C.Smith	Mov. " "
Mr. T.Jamieson	400, HQ, IRO.
Mlle de Blonay	" "
Brig.R.Staveley D.S.O.(Retd).	Entries & Exits Branch, Bad Salzuflen
Mr. R.E.Weeks	PW & DP Branch, Land Niedersachsen.
Mr. J.Rosensaft	Representing the Jewish DPs.
Mr. S.Dallob	Director, A.J.D.C.
Miss I.Holland	HQ, J.R.U.

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1. The Chairman stated that the purpose of the Conference was to decide on methods of implementing the recent Foreign Office decision approving the resumption of legal emigration from the British Zone of Germany to Palestine of Jewish DPs, not of military age. Foreign Office had ruled that the issue of exit permits to holders of ISRAELI entry visas would in future be permitted.

2. After discussion, the Conference came to the following decisions and agreements:-

Action

(a) ELIGIBILITY

It was agreed to postpone discussion on eligibility criteria pending further conversations on the subject between Mr.Rosensaft and Mr. Hoffman, representative in Munich of the ISRAELI Government. The question of the definition of "military age" which the CCG had ruled as 18 - 45, would also be considered. — MR.ROSENSAFT.

(b) SELECTION

It was agreed that selection of candidates for emigration would be on the lines previously adopted for "Grand National".

In reply to Mr. Matthews, who felt that a PWDP official was essential on the Board, Mr. Rosensaft stated he would also discuss this question with Mr. Hoffman. This was agreed. — MR.ROSENSAFT.

Mr. Dallob wished it noted that AJDC would take no part in the selection of candidates.

(c) TRANSIT CAMP

It was agreed that HOHNE be used as Transit camp for the movement, and that one PWDP official and one Jewish official be appointed in a working committee to decide all detailed administrative arrangements. — PW & DP; MR.ROSENSAFT

(d) DOCUMENTATION

Brig. Staveley stated documentation would have to be individual, as for "Grand National" and that applications must be forwarded through FALLINGBOSTEL. This was agreed.

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Mr. Jamieson pointed out that it was in the Jewish interest to make every effort to see that all prospective emigrants were screened for IRO Eligibility as soon as possible. This Mr. Rosensaft undertook to do. Mr. Jamieson asked that it be noted that IRO were not prepared to undertake screening of large numbers of people at the last moment and that if emigrants went unscreened the Jewish Authorities would be the losers financially. — Mr. ROSENSAFT

(e) CHARGE FOR EXIT PERMIT

Brig. Staveley pointed out that there was a charge of 20 DM. for Exit Permits, payable on receipt.

It was agreed that it be noted that payment would be due but that the question of who would pay be reserved for later discussion. — PW & DP

(f) CERTIFICATE TO BE SUPPLIED TO ENTRIES & EXITS

Brig. Staveley asked who would provide the required certification that all applicants were eligible for immigration and would be granted entry visas to Palestine.

It was agreed to pend this decision until the discussion with Mr. Hoffman had taken place. The question of the provision of visas would also be discussed at the same time. — Mr. ROSENSAFT

(g) MOVEMENT

It was agreed that the movement would be routed via Marseilles, as for "Grand National". At the same time the possibility of numbers being lifted by air from Hamburg was noted. — Mr. SMITH

After the difficulties entailed in moving large numbers together with large quantities of baggage had been explained, it was agreed in principle that endeavours be made to run separate passenger and goods trains. — Mr. SMITH

Mr. Matthews stated that PW & DP Division were not prepared to provide Train Conducting Officers - certainly not outside the British Zone. After Mr. Rosensaft and Mr. Dallob had given various reasons for the provision of a CCG T.C.O., Mr. Matthews stated that the question would be reconsidered. — D/CHIEF

3. There being no point in further discussion, at the moment, it was agreed that a further meeting be held on Monday, 8th November, 1948, subject to confirmation from Mr. Rosensaft, that Mr. Hoffman would be present.

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External

400 HQ, IRO (3)
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HQ, JAFP Hohne
HQ JRU, Bilshausen
Mr. Rosensaft c/o 45 DPACS
PWDP Branch, HQ. Land Niedersachsen
206 R/Det, Celle.
45 DPACS, Hohne.

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CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY (BRITISH ELEMENT)

OUTGOING TELEGRAM FORM

C.C.G. FORM (LARGE)

CALL	SERIAL No.	PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS	T. H. I.

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400 IRO HQ LEMGO (By hand)
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SECRETARIAT (Internal) By hand
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FOR ACTION
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PWDP HANREG HANNOVER
206 R DET CELLE
JRU EILSHAUSEN

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION CONFIDENTIAL
DEGREE OF PRIORITY IMPORTANT
TIME OF ORIGIN 29/ 1515 /A

CCG/75715/SEC (L) (.) 29 October 1948 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) A Conference will be held at HQ PW & DP Division on MONDAY 1 NOVEMBER 1948 at 1100 hrs to discuss arrangements for the future emigration of Jews from the British Zone to PALESTINE (.) All addressees are requested to be represented (.) For 206 R Det only (.) Please see this invitation is officially conveyed to (a) Mr ROSENSAFT (b) AJDC (c) JAFP

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PCO Secretariat.

Ref 49A 7A I have asked IRD (Buckingham) and Customs 10A

a Cmte to attend meeting on Monday, 1 Nov. 133

2. I presume that Mr AULT's note of telephone conversation does not refer.

28 Oct 48.

Thank you. Re customs on Friday don't expect meeting

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NOTE:

Miss CHARLES of 45 DPACCS, HOWE, informed by Mr AULT that CHIEF can see Mr ROSENBAFT at 1500 hrs. 29 Oct 48.

28 Oct 48
1450 hrs.

Para 4 Saturday hours are from [illegible]

Para 5 Women with children will cease work on Wednesday at 1230.

Para 6 To be late or to leave the Workshop during working hours is forbidden. If somebody has to leave on an important matter, they must ask for permission from the Workshops Leader.

Para 7 It is forbidden for persons, who do not work in Workshops, to be on the premises, except with the knowledge of the Workshop Manager.

Para 8 Spitting, throwing away pieces of paper, cigarette ends, and other rubbish is forbidden.

Para 9 After working hours every worker has to clean his position.

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Para 10 In case of illness the Workshop Leader must be informed. If the illnes is serious, a certificate from the campdoctor must be produced.

Para 11 It is forbidden to drink alcohol in the Workshops.

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Ext: 312

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CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION 27OCT1948 FOR GERMANY

Zonal Executive Offices,
60 HQ CCG,
Lubbecke,
BAOR 1.

5A 26 October, 1948.

To: PW/DP Division,
66 HQ CCG,
Lemgo,
BAOR 15.

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SUBJECT: Emigration of Jews from the British Zone to Palestine

Reference your PW/DP/0150/Sec L dated 19th October, 1948, and Displaced Persons Branch Political Division letter POL/662/21/48 dated 8th October, 1948.

1. The "resumption of legal emigration to Palestine" referred to in para. 2 of the Political Division letter refers to our previous system of devoting monthly quotas for displaced persons to emigrate to Palestine and not specifically to "OASIS" Jews. It is obviously desirable, under present circumstances, that we should cease to regard "OASIS" Jews as a separate category and that they should be treated as far as is possible as DP Jews.

2. Whilst in theory the Foreign Office ruling should cover all Jews in Germany it must remain our intention to dispose of DPs as far as possible before permitting the emigration of German Jews.

X 3. You are thereby authorised to negotiate with the accredited Representative of the Israel Government for the emigration of DP Jews only. German Jews must make application through the normal channel i.e. their local Burgomeister. * must be eligible under the current instruction regarding emigration of Germans.

4. In view of the slowness of the normal emigration procedure this should ensure that DPs receive preference above Germans.

5. Military age can be defined as all medically fit male individuals between the ages of 18 and 45.

R. Pulvermann for

Brigadier
Deputy Chief of Staff (Executive)

PNPB/PAG

Copy to:

DP Branch Political Division Berlin

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Hq. PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
LEMCO,
66, Hq. CCG,
BAOR.15.

26 October, 1948.

To: Mr. Joseph Rosenzaft,
c/o. 45. DPACCS.
BOMH,
BAOR

Subject: Conference on Jewish Emigration to Palestine

1. The Chief of this Division directs me to inform you that he has no objection to Mr.Hoffman taking part in a conference on Jewish Emigration to Palestine, in a non-official capacity.

2. The Conference, in accordance with conversation of Saturday last, has been provisionally arranged for 1100 hours, 1st November, 1945, subject to definite instructions in regard to eligibility and granting of visas being received prior to that date, by this Hq. You will be officially informed in good time.

R C Thompson

R. C. THOMPSON.
for Chief, PW & DP Division.

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Copy to: Central Sect. (Lubbecke).
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HQ CCG (BE),
Lübeck (BAOR).

19 October, 1948

CONTROL COMMISSION
PRISONERS OF WAR &
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DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION
FOR GERMANY

To: P.W. & D.P. Division,
Lemgo.

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SUBJECT: Emigration of Jews to Palestine

Further to letter No. POL/662/21/48 dated the 8th October, 1948 from Displaced Persons Branch, Political Division, Berlin, to this office, copy to you, concerning the above subject.

Enclosed for information is a copy of a letter from Political Division, reference POL 1186/7/48 dated the 11th October, 1948, giving Foreign Office approval to the resumption of legal emigration from our Zone to Palestine of D.P. Jews, not of military age, and stating that the issue of exit permits to holders of "Israeli" visas for this purpose is now permitted.

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Central Secretariat
(ESME BIRT)

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Seen by Col Thompson
and DJ Chiefs
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11th October, 1948

To: Combined Travel Board,
HQ CCG (BE),
Bad Rothenfelde,
BAOR.

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SUBJECT: Travel to Palestine

Please refer to your letter No. CTB559 of September 30th.

We have now received a letter from the Refugee Department of the Foreign Office which states that they favour the resumption of legal emigration from our Zone to Palestine of Jews other than men of military age and that they no longer have any objection to the issue of exit permits to holders of "Israele" visas for this purpose (our letter No. POL 662/21/48 of October 8th to Central Secretariat, Lubbecke copied to H.Q. Entries and Exits Branch refers).

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This ruling covers Jewish DPs but apparently no other categories of travellers to Palestine and we have accordingly asked the German Travel Department by telephone to send further instructions urgently. This they have promised to do and they will send copies to you and Entries and Exits Branch at Bad Salzuflen.

Sgd. W.P. HALLIDAY
for Chief,
Political Division

Copy to: H.Q. Entries and Exits Branch,
Bad Salzuflen.

Tel: LEMGO 601

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HQ PW & DP Division,
Zonal Executive Offices,
C.C.G. LEMGO,
66 HQ C.C.G.,
B.A.O.R. 15.

19 October, 1948.

To: Central Secretariat,
Zonal Executive Offices,
C.C.G. LUBBECKE,
60 HQ. C.C.G.,
B.A.O.R. 1.

SUBJECT: "OASIS" Jews and Emigration of Jews from the British Zone to Palestine

Further to your ZECO/011107/1/Sec G dated 14th October, 1948.

2. This HQ's comments on POL/662/21/48 dated 8th October, 1948 are as follows:-

(a) Para 1 (a)

These people are being accommodated at HOHNE in accordance with instructions contained in your ZECO/011107/1/Sec G dated 27th August, 48. Rations are being issued on behalf of only those who have registered; a total of 608. It is believed that this is the true figure of those remaining at HOHNE.

(b) Para 1 (b)

Only 4 of the "OASIS"Jews have so far presented themselves for screening by IRO and these 4 were all accepted as eligible for "Care and maintenance".

(c) Para 1 (c)

The meaning of this para is not clearly understood. There was previously no legal emigration of "OASIS" Jews to PALESTINE and can therefore be no question of "resumption". Is it now Foreign Office's intention that all Jews in the British Zone, except those of military age, be assisted to emigrate to PALESTINE? What is the accepted definition of military age? It must be pointed out too that this Division could only concern itself with the movement of bona fide DP's. Would the DP be given any priority? It is understood from Jewish sources that the British Zone would probably be allocated 350 certificates of entry into PALESTINE per month. At this rate the movement of DP's would be very slow even with priority!

(d) Para 2

Although it is not doubted that the Jewish organisations could make arrangements for the issue of visas and entry permits to prospective emigrants in HOHNE, it is not within the competence of this HQ to state whether an accredited representative of the ISRAELI GOVERNMENT could be officially recognised there?

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3. It would be appreciated if the matter could be treated as urgent. The question of emigration is being discussed by the Jewish organisations in MUNICH at the moment, who are certain to approach us immediately following their return. We should like to be in a position to organise the restarting of movement as soon as possible.

R.G.R. Thompson

R.G.R. THOMPSON.
for Chief PW & DP Division.

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Ext: 312

ZECO/011107/1/Sec.G

Zonal Executive Offices,
CCG Lubbecke, -
60 HQ CCG,
BAOR 1.

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14th October, 1948

To: PW/DP Division,
66 HQ CCG (BE),
Lemgo,
BAOR

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SUBJECT: "Oasis" Jews and Emigration of Jews from the British Zone to Palestine

Reference telecon of 13th October, 1948, AULT/BIRT speaking, regarding letter No. POL/662/21/48 from DP Branch Berlin to this office.

It is requested that you forward this office comments on the above mentioned letter in order that a reply may be sent to Berlin.

Ernest Birt

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Central Secretariat
(E.BIRT)

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Telegraphic Address
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File Ref: HQEE/4007/25

H.Q. ENTRIES & EXITS BRANCH,
Intelligence Division,
C.C.G. Bad Salzuflen,
100 H.Q. C.C.G. B.A.O.R. 15.

Date: 13th. October 1948

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CONTROL COMMISSION
PRISONERS
OF WAR &
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DIVISION
FOR GERMANY

To Central Secretariat,
Zonal Executive Offices,
LUBBECKE, 60 HQ CCG BAOR.

Subject: Emigration of Jews to Palestine.

Reference POL/662/21/48 of 8th. October from Political Division, Berlin, may we be informed, please

(a) Between what limits are men considered to be "of military age".

and

(b) The names and official addresses of accredited representatives of the Israeli Provisional Government, who are authorised to issue entry visas.

We would also like to have 6 specimens of the Israeli visa for distribution to our offices.

R.H. Crawley

for Director,
Entries & Exits Branch.

COPY TO: P.W. & D.P. Division, LEMGO, 66 HQ CCG BAOR 15.

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CONTROL COMMISSION PRISONERS OF WAR & 11 OCT 1948 DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION FOR GERMANY

FROM FOREIGN OFFICE (GERMAN SECTION) TO LEMGO (RAW/Dis)

No 204 Basic Saving D. 1.30 pm 7th October 1948

7th October 1948

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Following from Foreign Office Addressed to Berlin telegram No 2407 of 6th October, repeated Saving for information to Vienna and Lemgo.

Refugee Department's letter WR 2926/172/48 of 24th September.

In view of plans now under consideration for the removal from our zone of all Jews in Hohn Camp (in which Ajdc may well play a constructive role) it seems advisable for the present to refrain from taking action against Ajdc whose activities may thus be brought to an end by natural causes.

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POL 662/21/48

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
PRISONERS OF WAR &
11 OCT 1948
DISPLACED PERSONS
DIVISION

With the compliments

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8th October, 1948.

CONTROL COMMISSION FOR GERMANY
POLITICAL DIVISION
PRISONERS OF WAR & DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION
11 OCT 1948

To: Central Secretariat,
Zonal Executive Offices,
CCG LUBBECKE. 60 HQ CCG BAOR

1. In continuation of our letter POL/662/16/48 dated 30th August, 1948 we have now heard from the Foreign Office and they have agreed to our proposals which were as follows:-

(a) That no attempt should be made to move the 1100 "OASIS" Jews back to EMDEN and SEEGWERDEN Camps and that arrangements should be made to accommodate these people at HOHNE DP Camp.

(b) That these "OASIS" Jews should be screened by IRO and registered as displaced persons.

(c) That the resumption of legal emigration from our Zone to PALESTINE of all Jews other than men of military age should be approved.

2. The Foreign Office consider that in view of the resumption of legal emigration to PALESTINE it would be inadvisable for the present to take any action against A.J.D.C. They feel that A.J.D.C. might well play a constructive role in this emigration, and that if it is successful, their activities would be brought to an end by natural causes. With regard to the emigration of Jews to PALESTINE the Foreign Office state that they no longer have any objection to the issue of Exit Permits to holders of "Israeli" visas for this purpose. We understand that there are representatives of the "Israeli" Provisional Government at HOHNE Camp and that, therefore, you should have no difficulty in arranging for the resumption of the legal emigration of Jewish Displaced Persons. We also understand that Mr. ROSENBAFT considers that he could make arrangements for some 200 Jews to proceed to PALESTINE each month, but in another report which we have seen he is credited with having raised this figure to 1,000 a month.

3. We should be glad to hear from you in due course on this subject and to learn what numbers you consider can, in fact, be moved each month to PALESTINE. We should also be glad to know what progress has been made by IRO in the screening of the 1100 "OASIS" Jews and how many of these people have been found eligible for care and assistance by IRO.

4. We are sending a copy of this letter to PW & DP Division and Entries & Exits Branch.

Logan Gray

D. LOGAN GRAY,
Director,
DP Branch,
Political Division.

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Operation 'Journey's End': emigration of Jewish Displaced Persons (DPs) to Palestine. 1948-1949. MS Refugee Records from the Foreign Office, 1947-1970 FO 1052/82. The National Archives (Kew, United Kingdom). Refugees, Relief, and Resettlement, link.gale.com/apps/doc/JKEDNJ646966597/RRRW?u=omni&sid=bookmark-RRRW&pg=17. Accessed 15 Jan. 2025.